

Unsettled, probably light local
snows tonight and Saturday;
not much change in temperature

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Pres. Wilson and British Leaders Discuss Peace Report Czar and His Entire Family Are Alive Urges Sending of British and U.S. Troops to Berlin

NAVAL HEROES FIND HINDY'S HIDING PLACE

12,000 Back From Overseas
Get Shore Leave and Are
Honored Everywhere

Still Talking of Vicious
Welcome Tendered Them
Yesterday

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—More than 12,000 sailors, part of the crews of the ten American dreadnaughts which were welcomed home yesterday after 18 months of service in European waters, today made the most of their long-awaited opportunity. They were still talking today of the city's vociferous welcome as the battleships steamed up the Hudson and of the cheers of the millions that witnessed the land parade down Fifth avenue. Various war souvenirs provided special entertainment, many clubs kept open houses, sightseeing trips were arranged and free tickets were furnished to numerous theatrical performances.

While the city furnished its attractions to the sailors, the city was attracted to the six miles ofighting ships riding peacefully at anchor in North river—the greatest American armada ever assembled.

The dreadnaughts that arrived yesterday were but a part of the fleet already stationed here. Permission to visit the ships was granted and thousands crowded aboard today. A number of destroyers, which also have been on overseas duty, now are on the way in this port.

Next week is "Quarter Week" at The Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank.

REPORT EX-KAISER SLAIN NOT CONFIRMED

PARIS, Dec. 27.—(4:25 a. m.)—Rumors that the former emperor of Germany had been assassinated became current in Paris, mainly in the chamber of deputies, last evening. There is not the slightest confirmation of the report up to the present.

GEN. HODGES GOES TO CAMP SERVIER, S. C.

BOSTON, Dec. 27.—Major General Harry E. Hodges, former commander of the 10th (New England) division, who has been visiting his family here since his recent return from France, was notified today of his appointment to command the 20th division at Camp Servier, Greenville, S. C., it will start for his new post early in the new year.

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anything try a sun umbrella

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JANUARY 2, 1919

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9 A. M. to 3 P. M.

Saturdays 9 a. m. to 1 p. m. and
7 p. m. to 9 p. m.

Letters From Lowell Soldiers

Private James P. McCready.
Private James L. Kelly, who was recently discharged from the Harvard Students' Army Training corps, has received the following picturesque and interesting letter from Private James P. McCready of the 20th Military Police in France:

Montigny le Roi,
Baud-Marcq, France.
Nov. 28, 1918.

Mon Cher Jim—just received a letter from Joe Ludden and he tells me about your news accepted and being in the army. It sure is going to be a great day when we get home again and receive some real courses as follows: carelessness, there are dangerous when aroused. Of course it will be some time before we meet, but for our division is now getting up after ten days' march, without any food or water. The names of the engagements, our approach, etc., have been, Constantine, Argonne, St. Mihiel and Lorraine will always stand as shining tributes with a bloody halo to the Massachusetts boys who held on and beat Fritz in his own country. There is another chapter to go round and the other divisions—most of the national guard—did good work as we did and I think it will be equal if the national guard is disbanded in future years for they came in very quickly when the time to come was sounded.

We are not in occupation troops and do not know whether we will be.

We hired from the trenches at Ville, outside of Verdun, to this place with full pack for nine days, doing 25 kilometers a day, but we were happy for it was a rest from the mud.

Now to the signing of the armistice I was on a cross roads just 10 yards

from our front line and a booby sniper peppered that post for more than a day it took one moved around us we located him and took him down.

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\$32.50 Velour Coats, plain collars
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\$34.50 Velour Coats, fur collars
\$34.50 Velour Coats, plush collars
\$34.50 Broadcloth Coats, plain collars
\$34.50 Kersey Coats, plain collars
\$37.50 Poth Pom Coats, plain collars
\$37.50 Velour Coats, plain collars
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\$41.50 Velour Coats, self collars
\$41.50 Velour Coats, plush trimmed
\$41.50 Velour Coats, fur collars
\$49.50 Kersey Cloth Coats, plush trimmed
\$49.50 Broadcloth Coats, plush trimmed
\$49.50 Broadcloth Coats, fur trimmed
\$49.50 Silvertone Coats, self collars
\$49.50 Velour Coats, fur collars
\$49.50 Velour Coats, seal collars
\$49.50 Boliva Coats, fur collars
\$49.50 Velour Coats, self collars
\$49.50 Boliva Coats, self collars
\$49.50 Broadcloth Coats, fur trimmed
\$49.50 Velour Coats, fur trimmed
\$49.50 Velour Coats, seal trimmed
\$69.50 Crystal Cloth Coats, self collars
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\$10.98 COATS	\$15.00 COATS
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\$20.00 COATS	\$25.00 COATS
\$10.75	\$14.50

Girls' \$5.98 Serge Dresses.....\$3.00
Girls' \$12.98 Silk Dresses.....\$5.75

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SCARFS MUFFS And Some Coats 25% OFF

All Camisoles	All Neckwear
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All \$7.50 to \$25.00

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Millinery At \$1.95

NEW ENGLAND NAMES ON THE CASUALTY LIST

The list of names for today includes the name of only one Lowell fighter, Private George H. Lannon, 12 State pole street. He has been severely wounded.

Killed in Action

Lt. Jeremiah W. Sullivan, 105 Castle st., Boston, Mass.
Lt. Edgar D. Banigan, 108 Wales st., North Abington, Mass.
Pvt. Linus V. Duffany, Orwell, Vt.

Died of Wounds

Ser. Alfred S. Caya, 399 Pleasant st., Fall River, Mass.
Cor. Merton W. Donnett, 775 Main st., Wrentham, Mass.

Cor. Augustino A. Regan, 56 Greenwood ave., Lawrence, Mass.

Pvt. Duncan F. McKenzie, 9 Piney pl., Springfield, Mass.

Pr. Raymond J. Fortier, 104 Puritan ave., Worcester, Mass.

Pvt. Daniel J. Lynch, 74 Cleveland st., Springfield, Mass.

Died of Airplane Accident

Wag. Harry Guy, 23 Pleasant st., Woburn, Mass.

Died of Disease

Ser. Alfred E. LaFond, Madison, Mo.

Cor. John S. Percival, State st., Augusta, Me.

Cor. John J. Savage, 30 Milmurray st., Clinton, Mass.

Pr. Denis Green, 152 Edgewood Island, New Haven, Conn.

Pr. Chester D. Heath, Achimabet Station, New Bedford, Mass.

Pvt. Charles B. Smith, 10 Kent ave., Pittsfield, Mass.

Pr. Roy L. Shattuck, 25 North Union st., Burlington, Vt.

Pr. Louis Wilson, R.F.D. 2, box 68, Pittsfield, Mass.

Pvt. Ernest L. Graves, Royalston, Mass.

Pvt. Harry W. Hammond, South Goultchboro, N.H.

Wounded Severely

Lt. Albert W. Macaulay, 51 Elm st., Roxbury, Mass.

Ser. George Burros, 294 Lafayette st., Bridgeport, Conn.

Ser. Archie J. Bradley, 18 New Hampshire ave., Haverhill, Mass.

Ser. John J. McArdle, 43 Middlesex st., Boston, Mass.

Cor. Earl A. Boyington, Milford, Me.

Cor. James Joseph Moir, 503 Seavey st., Laconia, N.H.

Cor. Domenico Porraso, Leominster, Mass.

Cor. John F. Barnes, 294 Elm st., Middletown, Vt.

Pr. Donald St. Pierre, 157 Hedley Central Falls, R.I.

Pr. Busine Chawin, 44 Main st., White River Falls, Vt.

Pr. Willis W. Turner, 57 Gardner st., Alston, Mass.

Pr. William Durham, 31 Mechanic av., Woonsocket, R.I.

Pr. Edmund George, 150 Main st., Indian Orchard, Mass.

Pr. Salvatore Norgi, 26 Castle st., New Haven, Conn.

Pr. Francesca Gregorio, 33 Lexington ave., Bridgeport, Conn.

Pr. Sam Sutewitch, 55 Main st., Cambridge, Mass.

Pr. Joseph E. Bevila, 1 Mt. st., Maynard, Mass.

Pr. Frank H. Kunz, Cos Cob, Conn.

Pr. Hugh J. Ware, 5 North Bellvue av., Augusta, Me.

Pr. Sebastiano Zappala, Pine st., Manchester, N.H.

Missing in Action

Pr. Herbert W. Babbitt, Agawam, Mass.

Pr. Alexander M. Balour, Esmond, R.I.

Pr. John Kelly, 11 Hill st., Winchester, Mass.

Pr. Daniel L. Collins, 100 South Bend st., Pawtucket, R.I.

Pr. James M. Costello, 28 Walnut av., Waterbury, Conn.

Pr. George C. Doseh, 79 Springdale av., New Haven, Conn.

Pr. Frank Gillmore, 426 Broadway, South Boston, Mass.

Pr. Charles J. Gould, Newport, N.H.

Pr. Lee U. Pettengill, Thomaston, Me.

Pr. Antonio Savella, 22 Felton st., Waltham, Mass.

Pr. Eric A. Schall, 162 Standish st., Hartford, Conn.

Pr. Earl Tucker, 51 Phillips st., East Providence, R.I.

Pr. Harry G. Vanwagner, 21 Hoy st., Norwalk, Conn.

Released This Afternoon

Killed in Action

Pr. Arthur P. Miller, 72 High st., Crompton, R.I.

Pr. Adelard Bibeau, 11 Union st., Southbridge, Mass.

Pr. Alphonse Boulanger, 76 Center st., West Lynn, Mass.

Pr. Tony Bueno, 16 Battery st., Boston, Mass.

Pr. Charles E. Clark, Essex, Conn.

Pr. John J. Connolly, 31 Robin st., Providence, R.I.

Pr. Clarence V. Curtis, Belfast, Me.

Pr. Luis D'Amato, 91 Conquer st., Providence

Missing in Action

Pr. Philip G. Cheshire, 34 North st., North Adams, Mass.

Pr. John F. Crowley, 32 Wickenden st., Providence, R.I.

Pr. Edmund F. Danforth, North Andover, Mass.

Pr. Thomas F. Flanagan, Jr., R.F.D. 1, Lancaster, Mass.

Cor. Harold R. Goodwin, Lebanon, N.H.

Pr. Sofie M. Christensen, 11 Pleasant st., Woonsocket, Mass.

Pr. Patrick J. Doherty, 308 Mt. Grove

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CLEARANCE SALES ARE ON

Now comes the time to turn the attention of the men and women shoppers to the January clearance sales.

Shoppers of Lowell stores have by chance of peace. Winter is speeding along. The fall months have been unusually warm. It would be good to get up much speed in selling winter clothing. But it must be disposed of.

If you, Mr. Merchant, merely "about your values from the advertiser," you will be disappointed. You can make yourself heard throughout the entire city and suburbs by advertising in *The Sun*. We're ready to dress up that display ad of yours. We expect you're ready. Let us put that ad of yours showing your January clearance sale, across to *The Sun's* 30,000 readers. Let's make Sun ads and the coming of the New Year clear your shelves and cabinets.

You can do it if you put the ad in

THE SUN

Lowell's Greatest Newspaper

PRESIDENT WILSON

President Wilson is doing wonderfully well in Europe, although it was plainly hinted by republicans, when first he spoke of going that he could not be trusted alone so far away from home without a republican coach.

He has already been honored by several of the greatest nations in the world; he has met many of the greatest men in the world and he has discussed the greatest problems that engage the attention of the world at the present time, yet he has not fallen into any of the blunders that were predicted by his republican critics, who evidently think it very unusual for the United States to have a president who feels at liberty to attend to his official business without consulting some trust magnate at every step.

Thus far, President Wilson has shed lustre upon his country by giving the world to understand that she is the foremost champion of liberty. For the first time in modern times, a great war is to be settled not by the might of power, but in the interest of humanity and the freedom of the world. In other words, by a just and glorious peace.

It is noticeable that practically all the sovereigns of Europe, excepting those of the central powers, are seeking an interview with President Wilson in reference to the problems to come before the peace conference, and yet the president is only looking after certain outstanding features of the settlement. The fundamentals of world peace are the things with which he concerns himself. He does not care who arranges the minor details. He wants a league of peace that will prevent wars at the pleasure of any power that thinks it can win some advantage or punish some enemy by precipitating a conflict. If he succeeds in that and in securing the freedom of the seas for all nations without discrimination, he will have accomplished a most incomparable service for the world at large.

At this stage in the preliminaries, it appears to be entirely probable that President Wilson will carry all his main contentions against all opposition, even, let it be said, over the outspoken pleas of the republican mouthpiece — Senator Lodge.

THE MILL SITUATION

In view of the many difficult problems involved in the work of reconstruction, it is of the utmost importance that labor unions especially shall exercise the greatest patience and conservatism for some months to come, perhaps for the greater part of a year. Nobody knows better than the labor organizations the difficulties in which employers are placed in turning back to the old lines of business. All the machinery used in war work must be held in a state of comparative inaction for a short time until the manufacturers are able to get back to normal conditions.

Take for example, one of the local mills. Large government orders were cancelled. The management had to return to its old lines of business. Samples of cloth had to be gotten out and sent to market centres such as New York. Then the company had to await orders on the various kinds of cloth it was prepared to turn out.

LODGE'S OPPOSITION

Senator Lodge has come out squarely for the old fashioned peace, the kind in which every power gets what it can and devil take the hindmost. Lodge now demands that America get its share of the indemnity to be demanded of Germany. He also holds that the matter of a league of nations be postponed until everything else is settled. He would have the freedom of the seas disposed of in

the same way. He appears to be opposed to everything that President Wilson favors. His contention is based on political opposition and political motives. If the two issues he mentions were removed from the peace conference, all that would remain would be a mere matter of fixing indemnities and boundary lines. The really important part of the victory would be thrown away and the opportunity of reaping the fruits of victory would be lost to the world.

THE CASUALTIES

It is to be hoped that we have heard the last of the casualties from the war department. It was promised that all would be reported by Dec. 28, and if so, a great load of anxiety will be lifted from the minds of those who have relatives in the army in France. The casualty lists for the last two weeks of the war were exceedingly heavy. Indeed it seems doubtful whether any of the armies in action during the war lost more men within a like period than did the American forces in some of the final battles by which they put Germany out of action by cutting her line of communication and compelling her to appeal for an armistice, or meet complete disaster to her whole army.

It was all right when the miners who mined the coal the Boston Elevated uses, had their wages raised. It was all right, too, according to the way public opinion registered itself in Boston, when the L trainmen, station employees, power house workers and nearly all classes of labor on the great transportation system, had their pay raised to an unexpectedly large figure. There was rejoicing, as has been said. The aftermath of all this was, of course, the 8 cent fare for Bostonians, and they don't like it. Here was a case where public opinion was as inconsistent and as illogical, as most of us have always known it was.

As regards Capt. Robert Bartlett's dash for the pole, the relieving feature of what ordinarily would lack the element of news interest, lies in the fact that the sturdy New Brunswick sea captain for the nonce forsaking his ship of the seas, will try to make the pole by airplane. Most of us know enough about Cap'n Bob to be confident he will attain the pole, if he doesn't freeze to death in the polar air. For our most vivid story of what Capt. Bartlett believes he will accomplish, as usual we shall depend on the motion pictures which we confidently expect Capt. Bartlett will consider an important part of his equipment.

The Boston Globe rather neatly shows an appropriate sidelight on the Americanization problem when it says that in the announced increase in emigration of aliens lies the lessening of the problem of Americanization. Many will feel there is much wisdom in this from the fact that those who wish to return to their native lands are certainly not suitable persons on whom to spend time necessary to impart the lessons it is necessary to learn in order to get the American spirit.

As for those red headed bats the Cortland Bishop exploring party reports it found in the revolutionary cave up in the Berkshires, all we have to say is that if those bats are red headed, we expect them to be pretty smart bats and this being so, we wonder why they have lived so long in one cave, granted that they had red headed smartness enough to know the way out.

If some buddy on his return home, tells of his experiences Christmas day in Chaumont, and startles you by saying, "and I saw to Woodrow," says "I" — you will know that buddy is romancing, for the cables say that President and Mrs. Wilson had their Christmas dinner with the officers of the 26th division.

When we learn, as we have learned by means of his secretary, that Col. Roosevelt will not go to Europe to be at or anywhere near the peace conference, it is comforting. We know that the serious and original intent of the peace conference will not be subverted. With the colonel absent, most of its proceedings can still be carried on peacefully.

The statement of the newly elected president of Switzerland that his nation believes it should have access to the sea, does not necessarily mean that the Swiss navy, of which we have occasionally heard and for one of whose admirals William J. Bryan was once nominated, years to get down to the ocean and try its wings.

Most of us conclude, after reading the news that the former kaiser

method of having a good time was method of having a good time was businessable, he didn't go at the business of forestry early enough in life to be an entire success at it.

Probably the nicest Christmas sentiment we read was on a little Christmas card sent from Canada to a boy in Lowell far away from the home folks. It read, "Christmas time — a good time: a kind, forgiving, charitable, pleasant time." It is a quotation from the immortal Dickens.

SEEN AND HEARD

The hardest thing in the world nowadays is to make two dollars go as far as one dollar used to go a short time back.

We know some fellows who never knew until Christmas day that champagne and Scotch highballs don't mix any better than gasoline and booze.

Familiar street spectacle: Ordnance officer, with six months' desk service, haughtily receiving the salute of a medaled doughboy just back from France.

Somebody said that a green Christmas means a fat graveyard. That somebody may be all right, but we are not the least concerned about the physical condition of graveyards.

A Natural Inquiry
"I should like a porterhouse steak with mushrooms," said the stranger, "and some delicately browned toast with plenty of butter."

"Seize me, suh," interrupted the waiter. "You're trying to give an order or is you jest reminiscin' bout old times?" — Washington Star.

WITHOUT HIS COAT

They were standing near a pair of fire scales in front of a downtown shoe store, arguing the question of which weighed the more.

One climbed on the scales and triumphantly announced "A hundred and forty."

Then the other stepped on the platform without having removed his overcoat.

"Hey, take off that coat," said the first.

The second, removing the coat, placed it over his arm and examined the arrow of the scales.

"See?" he said. "A hundred and forty-two."

The other wore a downcast look. — Indianapolis News.

WHY PRICES RISE

This is an actual occurrence in Columbus. A woman who had occasion to use a common drug in making a home preparation bought a pound of it at a drug store. She had often bought it for seven cents a pound but this time she was charged 21 cents.

"How is that?" she asked the proprietor. "I never paid more than seven cents a pound for that anywhere before."

"But," expostulated the druggist, "prices have gone way up. Why, I have to pay seven cents a pound for that myself!" — Columbus Dispatch.

SONG OF THE PRINTING PRESS

The Sun has received a fine holiday greeting card from the firm of John Budd company and among the other good things contained in it is this excellent poem which the card says is an old poem written by A. A. Hopkins:

I am silent tonight in the basement dim.
And the shadows around me are vague and grim;
But my nerves they reach out where the homely groups are,
Where the homelights are flickering near and far;
And I feel a glad thrill in my iron heart
For the gladness and cheer that I there impart;
For although I am only a dumb machine,
I can move with a wonderful power, I ween!

There are beautiful stories that I can tell,
And that fall on the ear like a magic spell;

And I whisper them sweetly to one and to all—

So sweetly that even the teardrops

To the maiden who sits in the cottage low,

To the lover who longs her heart to know,

To the poet who dreams, and the child who waits

For the princess to open the fairy gates.

I am King, and my subjects are scattered wide.

But wherever they be, they are loyal and tried;

And though other Kings fall and their Kingdoms wane,

For ever and aye must my own remain,

It is one to grow greater with lapse of time,

And to fares through ages to heights sublime;

While the cry of my subjects for my shall be;

"Vive la Presse! for our King is he!"

Oh, I day after day at my labors sing,

For I know of the gladness I widely bring

With my fingers of iron across the earth—

At the grate of the rich, and the cotage hearth—

And I feel that the living of all who live

Will be richer by far for the gifts I give;

And that millions of hearts shall look up and bless

With the trustee of blessings, the Printing Press.

WHAT TO GIVE THE KAISER

"What'll we give him, boys?" yelled a Cleveland preacher, who was addressing a crowd of hundreds of munition workers there.

"Hell," the congregation roared.

"Once more," the preacher called.

"What will we give him?"

"Give him hell," the workers shouted.

"Now for the benediction; please shout out after me. Give the kaiser hell!" The benediction was unanimously answered. The preacher then pulled a briar pipe from his pocket, filled it and lit it, and then shook hands all round, after which he picked up his hat and coat and went on his way to another meeting.

The "reformed person," as he is called, is Rev. Dr. Willis A. Moore, who has filled aristocratic pulpits in large cities. His last charge before he "reformed" was at the Church of Our Father, in Detroit. He left this church to help Charles Schwab build ships by preaching patriotic sermons to shipyard workers. He asserts that he has found the place to which he is fitted, and that he will never go back to an

aristocratic church again. Although he is a Universalist, he now preaches quite a few additions to this list of homes where new babies came out these names commented. "We're ex-

pecting quite a few additions to this list of homes where new babies came

out on Christmas day or Christmas eve."

Poem Rich With Thought
No single poem in the English language perhaps has contributed so many lines that have passed into currency of quotations as Grey's famous "Elegy." It is a veritable mine of epigrammatical nuggets that have enriched the language of orators and writers and become such familiar property that their origin is almost forgotten and they seldom now receive the credit even of quotation marks. Here are a few of them that will be recognized as old friends:

"The short and simple annals of the poor."
"Rich with the spoils of time."

"The paths of glory lead but to the grave."

"And freeze the genial currents of the soul."

"Full many a flower is born to blush unseen and waste its sweetness on the desert air."

"Some mute, inglorious Milton, some Hampden guilty of his country's blood."

"Hands that the rod of empire might have swayed."

"The applause of listening senates to command."

"The noiseless tenor of their way."

"Far from the madding crowd's ignoble strife."

"Even in our ashes live their wonted fires."

"A youth to fortune and to fame unknown."

"To wade through slaughter to a throne." — Kansas City Star.

THE MAN ABOUT TOWN

The Sun's congratulations today to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence F. Quinn, 2, rear of 50 Albion street; Mr. and Mrs. John Pinto, 7 Cady street; Mr. and Mrs. Gregorio Coelho, 179 Moody street, and all the proud fathers and mothers who, on Christmas day, received a new baby as a gift.

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Resinol Ends Years of Unsightly Skin Trouble

Oct. 14.—"My face and neck broke out with small pimples which swelled and festered until they were like boils.

When I opened them they bled again, and caused intense pain and loss of sleep. At last they were so disfiguring I had to give up my position and could go nowhere. After five years of this trouble, and having used many other preparations, I tried Resinol Ointment and Soap. The pain and itching was relieved at once, and when I had used 1/2 jar of Ointment and seven cakes of Soap I was cured.

Now my skin is clear, and when I shave it is as soft and plump as a child's." (Signed) Gerald H. Kessler, 308 East 23rd St., New York City.

Resinol Ointment and Resinol Soap are sold by all druggists. —Adv.

We hear from all quarters a great deal of commendatory remarks concerning the work done at K.C.C. headquarters Christmas day for soldiers from Camp Devens who, in many cases far away from their homes, spent the holiday in Lowell. Originally it was the intention, on the part of the Catholic Women's League to serve only one meal at the K.C.C. headquarters and that, breakfast on the morning of the holiday. It turned out, however, that the funds available and the donations of food were so large

TO RESTRAIN CHILDREN FROM MAKING NOISE BOY SHOT AND KILLED BY HIS BROTHER

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 27.—A suit intended to restrain school children from making a noise was filed here today by the Rev. Marshall V. McDermott against the city of Asbury Park.

He lived opposite an Asbury Park school building since he established his residence. The school was formerly a church. He sets forth that his study is located at the front of his house and that, because the pupils use the public highway for callisthenics and drills and blow whistles and clap hands and play noisy games, he is disturbed and cannot read or prepare the sermons from which he earns some of the money with which he supports his family. The children's noises, he describes as "excessive, unwaranted, unnecessary and injurious."

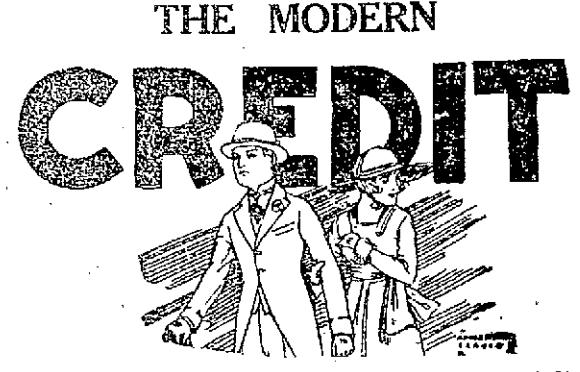
FAMOUS BOSTON LIGHT RELIGHTED

BOSTON, Dec. 27.—Announcement that Boston Light, extinguished several months ago because of war conditions, has been relighted, was made by R. H. Goddard, superintendent of the light-house inspection district here. The fog signal at Boston Light also has been again placed in operation.

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To the boys that are returning from the service, we desire to extend our modern and economical system. They can purchase all their needs at any of the Big Clothing and Gents' Furnishings stores of Lowell; millions of dollars of fine Suits and Overcoats of the latest styles and at mark-down prices.

Don't forget that in buying on credit this way, you are subjected to none of the embarrassing features of the ordinary credit houses with their limited stocks of goods and their high prices, but are given the same courteous treatment and the same prices that the store's cash customers get at the stores where you select your goods and the merchandise bears no labels except those of the cash store from which you make your purchase, so that you need not be ashamed to show your garments to any of your

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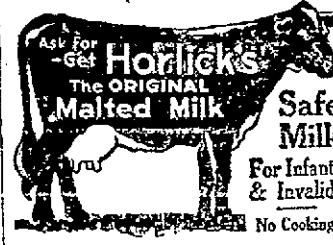
Department, Dry Goods, Ladies' Cloak, Suits and Millinery Stores, J. L. Chaffoux Co.; A. G. Pollard Co.; Bon Marche Co.; The James Co.; Cherry & Webb; United Cloth and Suit Store; Lemire's Cloth and Suit Store; D. T. Morris Co.; The Yorkie Shop; Dunn's Cloth and Suit Store; Riccio Cloth and Suit Store; The Woman's Shop; Rose Castle; Ross Jordan; Hartford; Saks Fifth Avenue; Head & Shaw; Boston Wholesale Millinery Co.; Broadway Wholesale Millinery Co.

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Shipments will first be made to allied countries where the food situation is the most acute.

GERMANY PLANS NEW TAX ON WAR PROFITS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Taxes designed to raise about eighty billion marks are planned by the Council of the People's Delegates, says an official report received today from Berlin quoting a Berlin despatch to the south German Gazette. The despatch said that new taxes would be levied on war profits and that a decree determinative of the tax would be published within a fortnight. In connection with the despatch, the Gazette observes:

"However legitimate may appear the principle of the tax, one cannot but consider with some anxiety the hurry with which the government is acting. The allied powers will surely augment their demands when they are aware of the extent of our financial means, and will lay hold of the sum in question. The result will be diminution of our national wealth, being no profit to the state and an increase in the taxes which will fall on German citizens."

MORE MEN OF 76TH DUE HOME JAN. 4

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Departure from France of 11 transports, including the Mauretania, with more than 3000 men from the 347th Infantry of the 87th Division, was announced yesterday by the war department.

The Mauretania, sailing Christmas eve, will reach New York Monday, and most of the men aboard will be sent to Camp Dix for demobilization. Eight hundred sick and wounded men are on the Henderson, due at New York Jan. 5, but the other vessels are bringing only a small number of men.

The Antigone, due at Newport News Jan. 4, is bringing home 11 officers and 55 men of the 76th, New England, division, which has been used as a depot division, and which has been reduced to skeleton proportions.

They will be sent to Camp Devens, Mass. The 52d Coast Artillery regiment, with a number of casuals and sick and wounded, also are on the Antigone.

The transport Espange, which is expected to reach New York Jan. 3 and the Virginian, due at Newport News Jan. 5, carry small detachments.

The transport Princess Matahia, which will dock at Newport News Jan. 2, has on board the 2d and 3d Battalions of the 43d Regiment, Coast Artillery, instead of the 37th regiment, as first announced.

Lists of units of the Expeditionary Forces assigned for early convoy home cabled yesterday by Gen. Pershing comprised 600 officers and nearly 20,000 men.

They included the 44th, 60th and 64th Coast Artillery regiments and the 19th and 32d Infantry.

Other organizations on the lists were: Headquarters and Cos. C, D, E and F, 25th Engineers; Mobile hospital companies 100 to 105th inclusive; Mobile surgical units 100th to 103d inclusive; first anti-aircraft sector headquarters; 21st, 22d, 24th and 25th battalions; machine gun battalion of second anti-aircraft sector; 19th Balloon company and medical detachment, 30th Balloon company, 19th Aero squadron and medical detachment; 1099 Aero squadron; 23d Balloon company, 311th Signal battalion; Signal corps casualty company No. 1, base hospital No. 2; 6th company, 2d Air-Servicemen Mechanics' regiment, ordnance, casualty companies 1, 2, 3, 4 and 10; Balloon companies 33, 34 and 46; mobile hospital 29; 1st battalion headquarters of the 74th Engineers; Balloon company 29; 42d and 422d Telegraph battalions, with medical detachments; 7th and 90th trench mortar batteries; Chemical Warfare service, Casual company 3.

MILLION FRENCH TROOPS KILLED UP TO NOV. 1

PARIS, Dec. 27.—Announcement was made in the chamber of deputies yesterday by M. Ahraz, under-secretary of state, that France's losses in officers and men killed up to Nov. 1 of this present year aggregated 1,071,000, divided as follows:

Officers, 31,000; men, 1,040,000.

The number of dead, prisoners and missing was given as 42,600 officers, 1,789,000 men.

The men missing aggregated 300 officers and 311,000 men. The prisoners still living total 8200 officers and 488,000 men.

Lovers in Japan, instead of engagement ring, often give their future brides a piece of beautiful silk, to be worn as a sash.

GEN. D'ESPÈREY, ALLIED COMMANDER IN MACEDONIA
CALLED TO PARIS

PARIS, Dec. 27.—As new problems have arisen in the east after allied occupation of parts of Hungary, Turkey, Russia and Bulgaria, the French government has summoned General Louis Franchet d'Esperey, commander of allied forces in Macedonia, to Paris for a conference, says Marcel Tinant of the Echo de Paris. He is expected to arrive in Paris in a few days.

GEN. PERSHING SENDS CHRISTMAS
GREETINGS TO THE
Y.M.C.A.

PARIS, Dec. 27.—General Pershing has sent the following message to E. C. Carter, secretary of the American Expeditionary Forces of the Y.M.C.A.

Scott's Emulsion

Have you tender lungs? Do you catch cold easily? It is the part of wisdom to build up your strength.

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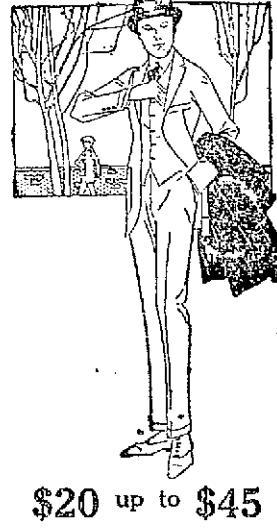
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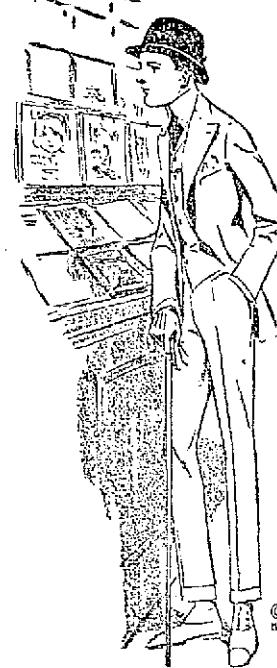
Fitting a man in clothes is more than a matter of tape measure; there's a mental side to the transaction; there's the spirit in which he will wear his clothes that must be reckoned with.



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One of these sentries was an unkempt Spartan carrying a rifle in one hand and an umbrella in the other. The band bill contained a report of the demonstration and explained the seizure of the newspaper, which was declared to be warranted "under the new law born with the revolution."

Another item declared: "Verwoerds is the product of the blood and sweat of the German workingman." The newspaper was also referred to as a "living dog" and "repulsive poison."

Its teeth are now about to be pulled."

The redaction of Ebert and Scheidemann and their intimate colleagues was also demanded.

Friedrich Stampfer, editor of Vorwärts, called the attention of the cabinet this morning to the raid and demanded that the government take prompt action to release the news paper.

the first sound from this contrivance

Hindenburg used to run to shelter, it is reported. People who worked about Hindenburg's establishment said that he was continually running for cover.

America's representatives on the international armistice commission are now occupying Hindenburg's headquarters and they were amazed when they discovered this underground refuge of the great warrior. The entrance was through the dining room.

From there a flight of steps led down to a tiled anteroom which, by the way, now serves as a very good pantry.

From the tiled room there was an

other flight of steps that led down to the real dugout. This was blocked by a huge iron door about one inch in thickness which could be locked from the inside only. Within it was fastened by a double bolt which would do credit to an American banking establishment.

The dugout itself was luxuriously equipped. On the floor was a heavy flowered carpet, and a Louis XV. table and chairs added to the artistic arrangement. The walls, which were of corrugated iron, were painted solid white and the whole place brilliantly illuminated by electricity. On a little table was an electric fan to keep the marsh cool in summer, while an electric stove provided heat in winter. The room was about 14x12 feet and was protected by four to six feet of earth above it.

The emperor's dugout was similar except that it was much deeper underground, and there were two entrances, one through the villa and the other from the grounds. The main entrance was from the house and led down a long flight of steps.

Another touch to the picture was added today when a German resident of Aix la Chapelle told the correspondent that the crown prince spent virtually all of his time in amusement.

CATARIN For head or throat Catarrh try the vapor treatment—

VICKS VAPORUB Your Bodyguard NEW PRICES...30c, 60c, \$1.20

PLAN ALTERATIONS TO TONS OF HIGH EXPLOSIVES ARE DUMPED OVERBOARD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—By order of the railroad administration, some hundreds of thousands of pounds of high explosive material, including T.N.T. and picric acid, the property of the French and Italian governments, is being towed out to sea from South Amboy, N. J., and dumped overboard, 35 miles from the Scotland Neck lightship.

This plan has been adopted as the only practical and immediate method of getting rid of 228 carloads of the material which had been parked outside of Wilmington, Del., for some time, awaiting transportation.

The First Unitarian church building in Merrimack street near the corner of Central street, the second story of which has been occupied as a place of worship since 1882, has been turned over to the proprietors of the South Congregational Meeting house, under a transfer which was consummated yesterday. The building has always been owned by the South Congregational society, but under an agreement which dated back to the time the building was erected the First Unitarian society had the privilege of worshipping there as long as they saw fit and without the slightest remuneration to the South Congregational society.

Some time ago the First Unitarian society and the High Street Congregational church combined with their meeting place at the High Street church and it was shortly afterward that negotiations were started to have the deeds of the property transferred to the owners, the South Congregational society. The affair was brought to a close yesterday and it is stated that the society paid over to the Unitarians the sum of \$10,000 for them to relinquish their rights to the structure. Future plans regarding the building were not given out, but it is believed that the lower portion of the building, which is now being occupied by Macarney's Apparel shop, will remain as it is, while it is probable that the second story of the building, which was the church proper, will be converted into a large place of business. The trustees and owners of the South Congregational Meeting house are as follows: Hon. Charles S. Lillie, president; A. G. Pollard, treasurer; Daniel Swan, clerk; Harry G. Pollard and Harry Dunlap. The com-

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If you suffer with clogged nostrils, discharging nostrils, are going deaf, or have head noises, or discharging ears or have a bad throat or bad stomach or gasp for breath and suffer from those other distressing symptoms of asthma, you will please to have me call at my office. It will cost you nothing for an examination and if you begin treatment this month you will receive eight complete office treatments for \$5.00. All diseases are of a constitutional nature, whether the disease be in the eyes, ears, nose, throat, bronchial tubes or stomach.

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CHAUFFEURS EXAMINED

Eight applicants for chauffeur's license were examined at city hall this morning by Inspector Labelle of the state highway commission.

The WOMEN'S SHOP

241 CENTRAL STREET

Our First Great

JANUARY MARK DOWN SALE

Tomorrow we will inaugurate our First Great January Sale. We are placing, without restrictions, our entire stock of Latest Coats, Suits and Dresses at, what you will truthfully find to be, honest reductions.

COATS Formerly priced from \$19.75 to \$75.00. For this \$10.98 to \$45.00

SUITS Formerly from \$18.50 to \$47.50. For this \$12.50 to \$32.50

DRESSES Formerly from \$12.50 to \$37.50. For this \$9.98 to \$22.50

HUNDREDS OF THE LATEST AND SNAPPIEST WINTER HATS, formerly priced \$8.98, \$7.98, \$6.98 and \$5.98. To go during this \$2.98



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After our mammoth Christmas business we have odd Suits, odd Coats, odd Dresses left. We want quick clearance. Come! Bargains like these do not come every day.

216 WARM WINTER CLOTH COATS

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Immense Fur Collars. Pom Pom, Velour, Plush and Silvertone

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Bath Robes, Now....	\$2.98, \$3.98, \$5	\$2.50
\$12.50 Serge and Poplin Dresses,	\$7.98	\$1.50 Aprons
\$10.00 Walking Skirts, plaids, pop-		\$3.00 Kimonos
lins, and serges.....	\$5.00	\$5.00 Raincoats, 25 in the lot.....
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FORCE 500,000 RUSSIANS TO JOIN BOLSHEVIKI

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Information reaching the state department today from Bacharach describes the main force of the Bolshevik army in Russia as consisting of Austro-Hungarians, war prisoners, 50,000 men from the Balkan provinces, 10,000 Chinese workmen, and about 500,000 Russian soldiers forced to join the Bolsheviks by fear of starvation.

It is reported that food is very scarce in Moscow and even the Bolsheviks are unable to obtain enough of it for themselves. There is fear of a Bolshevik uprising in Odessa and Kiev, according to these advisories. A Swedish press report, which reached the state department today, describes conditions in Petrograd as desperate.

PHIL. WILSON ALWAYS FELT ALSAUCE-LORRAINE WOULD BE RESTORED

PARIS, Dec. 27.—At a meeting held yesterday in the Sorbonne in honor of the liberation of Alsace-Lorraine, a letter from President Wilson was read in which the president thanked the Alsace-Lorraine society for an artistically bound message sent him just before he left the United States.

"Since childhood," the president's letter said, "my heart always has been with the ex-patriated Alsace-Lorraines. I was a youth of 14 when the provinces were torn from France."

"Ever since I have felt that the day would come when they would be delivered again to their country. I am profoundly grateful to the Almighty for the role he has permitted me to play in their delivery."

MR. DESROSIERS HONORED

Avila Desrosiers, a well known businessman of West Centralville, was tendered an agreeable surprise at his home, 142 Elmwood street, when about 50 of his friends called and presented him a handsome convertible chair. Mr. Desrosiers is soon to wed Miss Yvonne Asselin, a charming young woman of St. Louis parish.

The presentation of the gift was made by Arthur Gaudette, who in a few appropriate words extended his best wishes to the host of the evening. Mr. Desrosiers responded in a fitting manner and a pleasant evening followed. Euphoniac musical selections were given by the Centralville quartet composed of Telephore Beauparlant, Edouard Desrosiers, Arville Brunelle and Jules Morissette, and by the following: Paul Robert, Auguste Landry, Charles G. Vian and Edouard P. Gregoire. Refreshments were served. The committee in charge of the affair consisted of Arthur Gaudette, Ernest Sharot and Edouard P. Gregoire.

THE PORT OF BREST WINS RACE TO BERLIN

PARIS, Thursday, Dec. 26.—The port of Brest has won the fictitious race to Berlin which the bare ports of the Expeditionary forces had been conducting for six weeks. First place was based on the greatest proportional increase in the work of the port. Rouen was second and Marseilles third.

WILSON THANKS SWITZERLAND FOR INVITATION

BERNE, Thursday, Dec. 26.—The Swiss government has received a telegram from the American state department saying that it has been instructed by President Wilson to thank the government for its invitation for the president to visit Switzerland. The president, it was said, was unable to decide at present whether he would be able to accept, but appreciated the invitation as fresh proof of the friendship between the two countries.

NEW CHIEF OF THE BUREAU OF NAVIGATION TAKES OFFICE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Fleet Rear Admiral Victor Blue, recently appointed chief of the bureau of navigation, and who has returned home from Europe in command of the battleship Texas, will take up his duties at the navy department Monday, Secretary Daniels announced today. Admiral Mayo, commanding the Atlantic fleet, and the nine rear admirals composing the naval board of selection also are coming to Washington this week. The board will meet Dec. 30 to consider recommendations for promotions of officers of the higher grades.

U. S. TRANSPORT GEN. GORGAS HOME WITH TROOPS

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The United States transport Gen. Gorgas, which left Bordeaux on December 18, arrived here today with 14 officers, seven enlisted men and 22 civilians. As the ship was loaded with returned ammunition, she anchored in Gravesend bay and the passengers were brought ashore in boats.

BIG INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF INFLUENZA CASES

BOSTON, Dec. 27.—The largest total of new influenza cases recorded here in a single day, since the disease was made reportable during the epidemic of last September and October, was reported to the Boston health authorities for the 24 hours ending at 9 a. m. today. The total of new cases was 454 and there were 28 deaths. Sixteen cases of lobar pneumonia and 8 deaths were reported.

MUST ADOPT WILSON'S PLAN FOR LEAGUE WANT TO PURCHASE U. S. SUBMARINE CHASERS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Several European countries have expressed a wish to purchase some of the 110 foot American submarine chasers now in European waters. Secretary Daniels said today the boats were being sent to various ports in order that they might be inspected and while the navy department was not particularly anxious to sell, it would be willing to dispose of quite a number.

The Sun prints the news of the news as it is now and only such news as is fit to print. It is a clean, family newspaper.

GREATEST TIME EVER

Manager Carroll and Emerson Players in Extra Entertainment at Opera House

One of the best and prettiest holiday parties ever held by members of Lowell's theatrical colony was held last night—and early this morning—with the manager and members of the Emerson players now at Lowell Opera House, acting as host to brother and sister Thespians from Lawrence and Haverhill where Mr. Emerson also has resident stock companies.

It was proved to the visitors from the down river towns, to a small group of Lowell newspaper people and the Opera House orchestra and stage mechanics, "take off their buckles" to relapse into the Greek for the nonce, there are no holes in their stockings and they sure do know how to put on a good party, make every one feel at home with lavish hospitality at its best.

Last evening after the final curtain of that delightful little play, "My Irish Cinderella," the audience filed out leaving the theatre empty as they supposed, and the player folk hurrying to get into their street garments and ready to hurry home.

Yet, not so, gentle reader. Think not like unto such being the case. From the urbane and polished, withal, genial Mr. Jimmie Carroll, impresario of the company with the responsibilities of the "front of the house" on his mind, to the actor or actress only doing a "bit" the atmosphere of the old Opera House was electrified with expectancy of a good, jolly time being on the way. With 12 shows this week and five rehearsals of "Stitch in Time," this has certainly been no week for any player to catch up with his tailoring but every one from Mr. Carroll to the stage crew realized that a life devoted to all hum drum with no chance to enjoy the "hum" without the "drum" or the "drum" without the "hum," would necessarily wither like unto a troupe giving Ibsen in Newburyport. Hence the party.

With the stage cleared quicker than it was ever cleared before the area was put at the disposal of the caterer who with dexterity, brought on tables

and napery and soon had three long tables started to seat a useful and happy life, carrying candelabra into the bargain. Each side of the stage was fortified with bottles of tonic and mineral waters, all of a soothing and delightful influence.

The players hoped Mr. Emerson himself would be able to attend and he was expected until the last moment when he had to phone that he would be unable to come, greatly to his regret. The out of town players who came to the party included Dorothy Dickinson and Leo Donnelly, who head the Lawrence company; lone Magrane and Walter Gilbert, heading the Haverhill company and Walter Weeks of the Haverhill company, formerly a stock company favorite in Lowell at the Merrimack Square theatre, and Mr. and Mrs. James Hayden of the Haverhill company.

An excellent holiday dinner was served and if the party had needed any life which it didn't, Julian Noa and Augustin Glassmire were there to supply pep, vivacity and life at all times. Leedor Fredelette and his musicians were invited and declared themselves in on the fun as did also the stage mechanics and the scene artist of the company, Mr. Stewart, the property man, Martin Miskell and Stage Manager Buey, who officiated as an impromptu Santa Claus.

The stage men rigged up a fine Christmas tree on the limbs of which were hung "comedy presents" for every one at the party. The dignified and Chesterfieldian—one might add Henry Irving-esque Arthur Buchanan, received a kewpie doll and evidently was all puffed up at the honor. Mr. Carroll received a safe much too small to contain the receipts the fine business his company is doing at the Opera House warrants, but he was pleased with it.

In short, this was some party and a good party. The reporter who was there for The Sun wishes he could, by mere typewriter, do the subject justice, but knows he cannot. He will try one final tribute to the hospitality of Mr. Carroll, Mr. Noa, Mr. Glassmire and Miss Salisbury by observing, "What is the eternal use of being a newspaperman if by any possible chance one could work at play actin', even toting a spear, in the company of such genial and make-you-feel-at-home people as all of those who clubbed in to make that affair last night a success?"

The local evening newspaper is the paper that reaches the home when the whole family is there to read it. The Sun fills this field in Lowell.

Conference in London Continued

present government and the leaders of three of the political parties, conservative, liberal and labor.

The luncheon gave occasion for the first visit by former Premier Asquith to the premier's official residence since the liberal leader resigned his office. Viscount Morely, another of the party, resigned from the Viscount at the beginning of the war on account of his opposition to Great Britain's participation in the struggle. Viscount Grey, still another of those invited has been living almost in retirement since he left the cabinet. He is one of the strongest advocates of a league of nations. Arthur Henderson, the labor leader also a guest, is likewise a supporter of the idea of a league of nations as advanced by President Wilson.

The president's conference with Premier Lloyd George and Foreign Secretary Eustace last until nearly 1:30, when the conferees left in separate motor cars for the premier's residence in Downing street. As the premier passed out the palace gates first, and the crowd of some 2000 persons which despite the rain that was falling, had gathered to see the president, gave Mr. Lloyd George passing cheer.

President Wilson, who was accompanied by Sir Charles Curt, the king's equerry, followed almost immediately. His car proceeded slowly and the people assembled gave him a hearty cheer which was repeated again and again as the car passed down the Mall towards the official residence of the premier. The president acknowledged the cheering by smiling and bowing and hitting his hat.

PRES. WILSON AND KING GEORGE IN CONFERENCE

LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 26.—Dinner at Buckingham palace tonight was a quiet, private function, covers being laid only for King George and Queen Mary and President and Mrs. Wilson. After dinner the president had a long talk alone with the king. The president wishes to become personally acquainted with the leading personages in England before beginning his more formal conversations. He had an earnest talk with Queen mother Alex-



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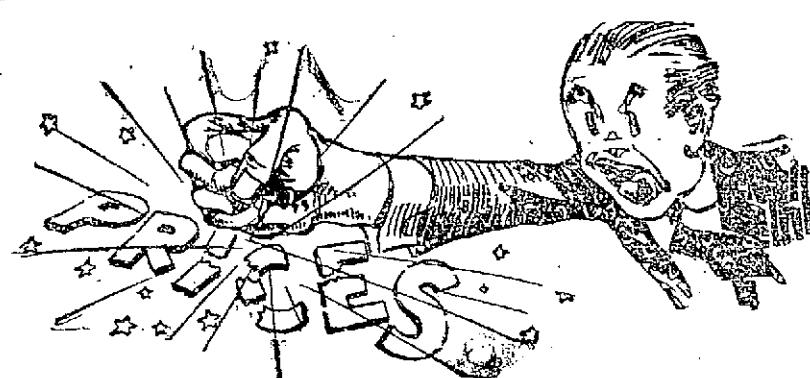
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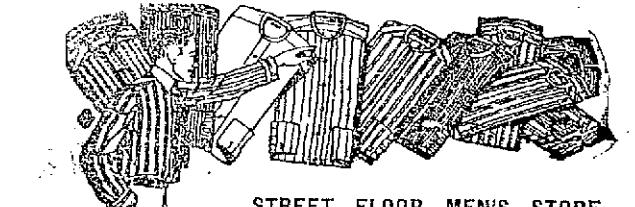
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TO APPEAL TO WILSON

Americans of German Birth

Meet in Munich to Draw

Up Petition Asking Help

MUNICH, Tuesday, Dec. 24. (By the Associated Press)—A group of Americans of German birth who have been in Munich throughout the war, unable to secure American passports, met last evening and drew up a petition to Pres. Wilson asking for a quick food relief for Germany and also assistance in communicating with their friends and relatives in the United States.

The meeting was marked by addresses by those who favored asking bluntly for passports, since all are destined or going to America, but it was decided to postpone the request until later.

The meeting considered taking steps toward getting in touch with other Americans similarly situated in Germany, especially a colony of native born Americans in Munich, who have refused to actively associate with the German-Americans. All such efforts have thus far been frustrated by the police, who have refused to give the addresses of Americans residing here. Appeals in advertisements in the newspapers have also proved futile.

WORLD ALLOW SOLDIERS TO KEEP UNIFORM AND OTHER WAR MEMENTOS

TRINITY, N. J., Dec. 27.—Federal legislation to permit every honorably discharged soldier to retain uniform, trench helmet and other personal mementos of the war is suggested by Newton A. K. Bugbee, state comptroller, who in a letter made public today appealed to Will N. Hayes, chairman of the national republican committee, for his aid in eliciting the support of republicans in congress.

Ser. Griffin Wounded

Continued

what it was. All three bent forward so that the death-bearing messenger might go over their heads. Just as it reached a point above them it exploded. Griffin was struck in the back and feet; one of the other soldiers suffered a broken back and died at once; the third was also struck in the back and his body was so twisted that it was almost impossible to identify him. Of the gallant trio, only the Lowell man lives to tell the tale.

Sergt. Griffin went overseas with the 101st Machine Gun unit in September 1917. After short preliminary training he went to the front line with his unit and for many long weary months bore the brunt of much of the heavy fighting.

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ing and lived up to the traditional law of machine gunners that they are not to leave their posts until killed or wounded. He took part in many of the American engagements leading up to the grand climax at Chateau-Thierry in July when the Yanks showed emphatically what they were made of.

Then he was injured as has been described. The result was that he spent 16 weeks in a hospital before he was able to hobble around again and he has not yet completely recovered from his injuries. He says that the 26th division was in the thick of all the big engagements overseas and too much credit cannot be given them for what they did.

Sergt. Griffin left France for home early in December and came across on the Leviathan. The trip took eight days. Upon landing in New York he was assigned to Camp Upton to await his honorable discharge, and this was forthcoming just in time to allow him to come home on Christmas morning. He is now staying at the home of his sister, Mrs. George F. Tingle, of 260 West Sixth street.

On the Leviathan with Sergt. Griffin was Sergt. Warren P. Rogers, a member of Co. M of the 101st, who was also injured overseas.

WAR CAMP COMMUNITY SERVICE DANCE

The second in a series of dancing parties under the auspices of the War Camp Community Service will be held in the high school hall tomorrow night. The patricesses were all very highly pleased with the results of last week, and the experiment on Saturday evening proved a great success. The chairman of the school committee has expressed himself as being well pleased with the manner in which the affair was conducted, and with such favorable commendation, and with a desire to create a similar happy and pleasant event for the young people, the committee is busy making arrangements for another enjoyable evening for the soldiers and young ladies. An added feature this week will be refreshments, which will be served by the War Camp Community Service. Music will be furnished by Broderick's orchestra, and dancing will begin promptly at 7:45. Invitations will be given to girls who have not already received them, upon application at headquarters, 309 Sun building, to Mrs. Frederick C. Weld, chairman of the entertainment committee, or to Mrs. Clive Hockmeyer, chairman of the committee for the Saturday night dances. As to the men, their uniform is their pass, and they are extended a cordial welcome to attend the dance on Saturday evening.

DESCRIBES HORRORS OF ANARCHY IN RUSSIA

WARSAW, Tuesday, Dec. 24. (By the Associated Press)—Forces commanded by Petlura, the Ukrainian leader, drove General Skoropadski from Kiev on Sunday, December 16. Petlura himself entered the city last Thursday. Prince Radzwill, a wealthy Polish land owner, has escaped and has reached here with other refugees, which include 400 Russian officers driven out of the district of Dubno by peasants. Prince Radzwill said to the correspondent on his arrival here:

"Kiev is calm again. The shops are opened, and it is still occupied by 10,000 German troops under Gen. Kierbach. The horrors of anarchy in that country, especially in the Volhynia district, cannot be realized. I have seen how landlords and their managers have been cruelly assaulted and beaten by peasants and turned out naked in the bitter cold.

"They have begun to ill-treat women, which is something new to Bolshevikism. For instance, if they cannot find the husband or father they wish to arrest, they take the wife, mother or daughter.

"I encamped, dressed as a railroad employee on a train carrying a number of German soldiers, a few women and some civilian passengers. At every station it was a fight to get by. The peasants are robbing and disarming German soldiers everywhere, being infuriated because of German thefts of grain and food. It is estimated that possibly 100,000 Germans are still left in Ukraine, but only those in Kiev are armed. I believe they will eventually make their escape. Throughout all of Ukraine, which is inhabited by thirty million people, conditions must be regarded as being absolutely chaotic."

It is stated that the defeat of Gen. Skoropadski may be attributed to the fact that two months ago, under allied advice, he proclaimed Ukraine a part of Russia, whereas the peasants want that country to be independent. It is declared that he thus played into the hands of Petlura, who promised land to the peasants and has issued land grants to every man who has served as a soldier under him.

A message from Danzig says the Germans are dismantling the port and carrying off all of the dock machinery, tearing the arrival of allied forces. It is also rumored that the peace conference may give that port to Poland. Odessa is reported to be again in Bolshevik hands, after the defeat of Polish troops near that city.

MORE INFLUENZA CASES

The local influenza situation is beginning to take on real epidemic proportions once more. The total number of cases reported yesterday was 151. This was, of course, really two days' report, as it included Wednesday cases. There was one death. Up to noon today ten additional cases had been reported and no deaths.

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POLICEMAN AND THREE BURGLARS IN GUN DUEL

PAWTUCKET, R. I., Dec. 27.—Policeman James Jeffrey and three burglars engaged in a pistol duel early today, but although several shots were fired, not one was injured. The officer found the men in the yard behind Charles Pierretin's clothing store where they had sacked goods to the value of \$2000. They opened fire on him and succeeded in escaping by jumping over a fence, but without their boots.

Two other breaks were discovered. In one, the office of Wilmarth and McKillop, contractors, the safe was broken and the robbers got away with \$10 in cash.

MUNICH HAD QUIET CHRISTMAS

MUNICH, Dec. 26.—(By the Associated Press)—Christmas passed more quietly than ever before in Munich. For the first time since the war began, the custom of exchanging gifts was almost abandoned, or confined to trifles, since everyone, rich or poor, is anxious about the future and is inclined to spend as little as possible.

Jewelers and dealers in luxuries have issued a statement claiming that trade has fallen to almost nothing. Joy is felt only by those whose relatives have been demobilized or have returned from the front, but the shadow of the future, with its uncertainty, and the present instability in public life are overwhelming everything. In anticipation of trouble at some of the various political meetings, the government has organized strong guards to maintain order at any time the Spartacus element is inclined to become disorderly.

MATRIMONIAL

An exceptionally pretty military wedding took place Christmas afternoon at St. Michael's rectory when Mr. Walter Eastman, an officer of the U. S. Marine corps, and Miss Mary Ma Coughlin were united in marriage by Rev. John J. Shaw, pastor of St. Michael's church. The bridegroom was Miss Josephine Shaw and the best man Sergt. Walter Paterson. The bride wore a traveling suit of taupe trimmed with beaver and a hat to match. The bridegroom was attired in a brown suit and hat to match. The bride's present to the bridegroom was a necklace of pearls, and the bridegroom's present to the best man a set of cuff links. Mr. Eastman and Sergt. Paterson are both veterans of the great war and have just returned from France. Immediately after the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Thomas Cavanagh, 188 Lawrence street. The house was appropriately decorated with the national colors. Mr. and Mrs. Eastman were the recipients of many valuable and useful gifts. They left on an early evening train for New York and Washington, D. C., and later will make their home in Pensacola, Fla.

DANCE AT DEVENS

About 50 girls of the Lowell Y.W.H. under the auspices of the Jewish welfare board, held an entertainment and dance at the Jewish welfare hall at Camp Devens on Christmas day. About 300 boys enjoyed the following program: solo dance by Miss Rose Carp; songs by Misses Frances Silverthorn and Rose Brownstein, as well as solos by Master Bernard Knopf; recitations by Miss Mary Cohen; piano selections, Mrs. William Beckwith. The remainder of the time was given over to general dancing, and refreshments were served. Those in charge of the entertainment were: Mrs. L. Greene of the welfare committee, Mrs. S. Carp, Miss Esther Cohen, Mrs. Frank, and Miss L. Lashowitz.

This association is making plans to supply the entertainment program for visitors at the Y.M.C.A. on Merrimack street on Sunday, Dec. 29, in the afternoon, from 4 until 6 o'clock, and they will also provide the refreshments.

A Pittsfield man drove over the old bridge on the way to Troy. He was given the customary metal check to be used on the return trip. He placed the check in his outside pocket where it would be handy. When he reached home he found that he had the check. He had given another half dollar to the toll man by mistake.

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SCHWAB PRAISES PART PLAYED BY PAPERS

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 27.—Charles M. Schwab, in retiring recently from the post of director-general of the Bethlehem Steel corporation expressed

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WM. S. HART in "SHARK MUNROE"

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and his appreciation of the co-operation of the press of the country and the newspaper support of his efforts. As host at a luncheon to the heads of departments of the corporation he said:

"I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the press of Philadelphia and to the press of the entire country for their

TO QUIT THE BERLIN CABINET

Report Majority Socialists to Retire, Leaving Independents in Full Control

Conflicting Reports From German Capital—Report of Compromise Received

BERLIN, Thursday, Dec. 26. (Midnight. By the Associated Press)—As a result of today's deliberations it is said in some quarters, the majority socialists will retire from the cabinet and leave the independents in full control of the government.

The cabinet was in secret session the greater part of the day. The leading independents in the government also were in conference and this gave rise to a rumor that Hugo Haase, the leader of the independent socialists, would be called on to organize a new government.

The crisis is likely to continue for a day or two and may meet with an unforeseen solution. Today passed quietly in Berlin.

Report of Compromise

BERLIN, Wednesday, Dec. 25.—(Afternoon)—(By the Associated Press)—An eleventh hour compromise with the revolting sailors by the Ebert-Schleicher section of the government apparently saved Berlin from an extremist Christmas today. (Later reports from Berlin are that the spartacus faction is still causing trouble.) The sailors gained more than they sought and will remain in Berlin as part of the republican soldiers' guards.

The compromise provides that a division of troops from the western front under Lt. Gen. Lequieu, which was sent to Berlin by Field Marshal Von Hindenburg, in response to an appeal by the government, will retire and leave the capital under the protection of two volunteer policing organizations which are directed by the extremists. The sailors against whom the soldiers have been antagonistic, are known to be under the special leadership of Geo. Ledebur, who was one of the representatives of the sailors in the negotiations yesterday with the Ebert-Hasse government.

The sailors agree not to participate in any future revolt against the government.

The settlement between the sailors and the government does not satisfy the Vorwärts which expresses hope that the sailors will subordinate themselves to the government and show themselves good republican soldiers. Theodor Wolff, in the Tagesschau, thinks that the government's capitulation leaves the impression that it is steering a rudderless course. The removal of the troops under Gen. Lequieu, he says, may be interpreted as the temporary elimination of the only agency of law and order on which the Berlin bourgeoisie had set its hope.

The Lokal Anzeiger announces the formation of a society for the purpose of combatting bolshevism.

Berlin was quiet today except for noisy Spartacus demonstrations in the Tiergarten. Dr. Liebknecht and Deputy Ledebur addressed a crowd of about 10,000 in the Tiergarten after which the crowd marched to the Brandenburg gate of the former royal palace to demand the overthrow of the government. In addition to the damage already reported in Tuesday's fighting, the cathedral is badly scarred by machine gun fire, and one of the marble columns forming the background of the monument of Emperor William I. was completely shot away by a battery from a range of 200 feet.

The correspondent inspected the interior of the Red palace and found it had been damaged heavily by shellfire. The former royal apartments had been transformed into a revolutionary habitation and signs of confusion and neglect were everywhere. In the private dining room of the former emperor the correspondent saw the bodies of five sailors killed in the fighting.

No authoritative list of casualties is yet available. Estimates of the number of dead vary from 12 to 60. Unless the government prohibits a public ceremony, the burial of the sailors killed in the fighting will be made the occasion of a mammoth demonstration by the Liebknecht party.

TEN CASES OF LIQUOR STOLEN

SALEM, Dec. 27.—Felix Bachar and John H. Husky of Hamilton tunneled under the walls of the Myopia Hunt club building at Hamilton and stole ten cases of liquor valued at \$300, according to charges made at a hearing in the local court today. They were held for the grand jury. The police say liquor had been missed from the wine room on several occasions and an investigation disclosed the tunnel. Later some of the liquor, they said, was found in the home of one of the men.

FIRE IN BOARDING HOUSE
A blaze in a partition in a boarding house at the corner of Lawrence and Swift street this morning was responsible for two telephone alarms. The first call was sent in at 9:05 o'clock and Hose 11 responded. At 11:20 o'clock a second telephone was received and Hose 11 and the Protective responded. The damage was slight.

PLENTY OF WORK HERE
The local U. S. employment bureau at 119 Merrimack street is doing a good business in the interest of the public these days, and no one, civilian, ex-doughboy or blue jacket is being allowed to remain idle unless they so desire. "Plenty of work for everybody" is still the slogan of Examiner Cronin, and he guarantees to find work for all who apply.

Freedom of City to Wilson
CARLISLE, England, Dec. 27.—The city council of Carlisle today voted the freedom of the city to President Wilson, who will pay a visit here Sunday evening. The president's mother was born and spent her earliest years here.

WAR REVENUE BILL GOES TO CONFERENCE MONDAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The war revenue bill, carrying six billion dollars in taxes for 1919, and upward of four billion for 1920, will go to conference between the house and senate Monday, under an agreement reached today in the house.

When the measure was called up, Representative Madden of Illinois, a republican, asked that consideration be delayed, on the ground that the number of amendments inserted by the senate is so great that the house should have an opportunity to study them before turning the measure over to conferees.

Democratic Leader Kitchin agreed to the delay, and 600 copies of the bill were ordered printed for the use of the members.

PRES. WILSON'S PROGRAM HAS BEEN REVISED

PARIS, Dec. 27.—President Wilson's program after his return to Paris on New Year's day has been revised. It now provides that he will leave for Italy 24 hours after returning to Paris as there will be an interval between his return from England and the preliminaries to the inter-allied conference.

DON'T KISS



HER JUST NOW!

WAIT AWHILE!

DON'T DO THESE THINGS!

Don't kiss your sweetheart while "Spanish flu" or pneumonia plague is on!

You might kill her—or him, by passing a deadly germ along.

Kissing Spreads "Flu"

Don't sneeze or cough in anybody's face. Use your handkerchief to cover nose and mouth.

They need the help of every person in the community in preventive measures.

Already there have been 350,000 deaths in the United States.

Enlist this minute for the war against this plague!

These are the things you can do to help:

Keep body and clothing clean.

Keep the body warm and dry.

Avoid over-heated, dusty, ill-ventilated rooms.

Avoid crowds as much as possible.

Walk in the open air when weather conditions permit.

Take plenty of rest and sleep.

Eat good, simple, wholesome food.

Watch your symptoms closely.

When in doubt, go to bed and send for your doctor.

Keep living and sleeping rooms well ventilated.

Keep warm. Avoid chills.

Avoid sneezers and coughers all you can.

Use good disinfectants on your handkerchiefs. Ask your druggist or doctor about this point. You can use menthol, cinnamon oil or camphor.

Dress warmly.

Avoid excesses.

Change underclothing frequently.

Treat a "common cold" as soon as you discover it.

Keep a supply of clean handkerchiefs handy.

Spread the gospel of prevention among your friends.

Keep your nose and throat sprayed and disinfected every day. Ask doctor or druggist for a good disinfectant to use for the purpose.

SPINDLE CITY LODGE

The regular quarterly meeting of Spindle City Lodge, No. 1C, of A. was held last evening in Post 120 hall, several candidates were initiated and the applications of several were acted upon. The following were elected to serve as officers for the ensuing year: President, Katherine McKenna; vice-president, Katherine Wholey; recording secretary, Mary McKeeney; financial secretary, Mrs. Clara MacPhail; treasurer, Mrs. Elizabeth McNamee; 1st guide, Katherine Rourke; 2nd guide, Mrs. Alice Keegan; inner sentinel, Grace McEvoy; outer sentinel, Eliza Shahan; trustee, Katherine McEvoy; physician, P. J. Meahan; pianist, Blanche Benoit. After the business meeting a social hour was held and a buffet luncheon was served.

S. J. Killow, aged 74, of Walnut Ridge, Ark., a Confederate veteran, was recently married for the 12th time. County Judge E. H. Tharp performing the ceremony. Mrs. Agnes O'Neal, a widow, with no children, is his new wife. Although married 11 times, Mr. Killow raised but two children.

Don't use the common drinking cup.

Don't neglect or laugh at a "common cold." It may be the first symptom of "flu."

Don't worry. Worry is weakening. Don't visit "flu" victims unless you really must do so. Then wear a "flu" mask.

Don't use a common drinking cup anywhere.

Don't use the common towel.

Don't use a common towel anywhere.

Don't put penile or penile in your mouth. There may be "flu" germs on it!

Don't put monoxide in your mouth. Put it in your pocket.

Don't pet dogs or cats. They carry germs in their hair.

STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Gains of 3 to 3 points in rails, shipping, coppers, oils and utilities at the close of today's stock market dealings were regarded as a logical reversal from the excesses brought about by the recent session. The strongest feature included Southern Pacific, Chicago and Northwestern, United Fruit, Mexican Petroleum, Texas Company, American Smelting, Hills and Leather preferred and Brooks Transit.

St. Louis was the only backward feature, yielding a fraction. Free offerings of Liberty fourth 4½% at quotations approximating their minimum were the feature of the day, and action on them became more urgent during the morning events, the local utilities profiting by this movement.

St. Paul, Pennsylvania, Delaware and Hudson were the only rails to show heaviness, leading Pacific, Allis-Chalmers and Lackawanna gaining 1 to 5 points.

Further advances were made by oils, copper and sugar, and the market was further strengthened, but the most notable feature was United Fruit which increased its gain to seven points.

Heavy selling of Liberty bonds continued, the fourth 4½% falling to the new low of 94½.

U. S. Steel and affiliated equipments rallied at midday and other shippings were lifted by the strength of United Fruit, but rails developed an unusual tone and utility weakened. Twin Cities rose 3½ points and Adams Express 4½.

Rails, especially coalers, also local utilities encountered further pressure in the final hour, with moderation returning elsewhere. The closing was irregular.

NEW YORK Clearings
NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Exchanges, \$687,481,298; balances, \$64,867,819.

Cotton Futures
NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Cotton futures opened steady January, 29 50; March, 23 45; May, 27 70; July, 26 90; October, 22 55; November, 28 00; May, 27 19; July, 26 45; October, 22 30; November, 27 30.

Money Market
NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Time loans firmor: sixty days, ninety days and six months.

Cash money strong. High 6; low 6; ruling rate 6; closing bid 5½; offered at six; last loan six.

Final prices on Liberty bonds today were: 4½%, first convertible 4½%, 96.30; second convertible 4½%, 93.90; third 4½%, 95.40; fourth, 4½%, 94.40.

NEW YORK MARKET

	High	Low	Close
Allis Chal	32 34	31 24	32 24
Am Best Sug	61 25	61 14	61 14
Am Can	15 55	15 45	15 45
Am pf	98	97 50	97 50
Am Car & F	90 50	89 50	89 50
Am Col Oil	33 95	33 95	33 95
Am H & L	13 50	13 45	13 45
Am pf	14 15	14 10	14 10
Am Wool	61 25	60 00	61 24
Am pf	101	101	101
Am Smelt	76 50	75 50	76 50
Am Sug	110 50	110 50	110 50
Am Sumatra	95 50	95 50	95 50
Am Wool	50 50	50 50	50 50
Am pf	84 50	84 50	84 50
Antonson	91 34	91	91 25
Atch	89	88 50	88 50
Atch pf	110 14	109 10	110 10
Baldwin	74 50	73 50	73 50
B & O	52 50	51 50	51 50
Balt Steel A	60 50	60 50	60 50
Balt Steel B	61 50	60 50	61 50
Balt pf	106	106	106
B & R T	28 50	27 50	27 50
Cal Potc	20 75	20 75	20 75
Can Gas	8 75	8 75	8 75
Can Par	15 65	15 55	15 55
Cent Leather	57 50	56 50	57 50
do pf	101 50	101 50	101 50
Ches & G	50	50	50
C & G W	8	7 75	7 75
do pf	84 50	84 50	84 50
Col & P	24 45	23 50	23 50
Col & P. P.	25 50	25 50	25 50
Chile	18 50	17 75	17 75
Col E & B	41 50	39 50	41 50
Col Fuel	35 75	35 75	35 75
Com Gas	97 50	96 50	96 50
Corn Prod	104	103	103
Cro Steel	57	56 50	56 50
Cuba Cane	29 50	29 50	29 50
Del & Huf	101 50	101 50	101 50
Do & R G pf	6 15	5 95	5 95
Dis See	52 50	52 50	52 50
Erie	17 50	16 50	16 50
Gen Elec	146 50	145 50	146 50
Gen Motors	130 50	128 50	130 50
GL No pf	82	81 50	81 50

LLOYD GEORGE GIVEN WASHINGTON PORTRAIT

LONDON, Dec. 27.—The luncheon given by Premier Lloyd George gave President Wilson an opportunity of meeting various government officials and party leaders. It was a purely informal party which later broke into groups who strolled into the adjoining library where they chatted and jested. When the dining room was cleared Premier Lloyd George returned to it with his guests to receive from the Earl and Countess of Albermarle a copy of the portrait of George Washington painted by Peal, 1758. The copy was presented to the prime minister. The original is in the United States Senate.

The object of the presentation was to commemorate the entering of the United States into the war. The portrait was unveiled by President Wilson. There were no formalities and no speeches.

The president and other members of the party made a critical examination of the picture which led to a discussion of art. The conversation then drifted to other topics with the president as the center of a laughing group. The president began to tell stories and one, in particular, elicited much laughter.

"The informality of the American soldier," he said, "is illustrated by an incident related by one of our divisional commanders, General Hale. He and other officers in his car drove into camp past a sentry who did not challenge them as they went by. Gen. Hale reined and asked why the sentry had failed to halt the party."

"Oh, I know you fellows," the soldier replied.

The Earl and Countess of Albermarle and the other guests departed after the party returned to the drawing room leaving President Wilson alone with Premier Lloyd George and Secretary Balfour. The three then went into conference to discuss various problems confronting the peace congress.

U. S. COMMISSION COMMUNICATES WITH PRES. WILSON

PARIS, Dec. 27.—The American peace commission announced today that it was in telephonic communication with President Wilson's entourage in London and that the commission had been advised this morning that the political aspects of the president's visit were proceeding as satisfactorily at the popular reception. At the hour of the announcement the commission was informed that the conferences between the president and Premier Lloyd George and foreign Secretary Balfour were in progress.

POPE HOPES PEACE WILL BE LASTING

ROME, Dec. 27.—Pope Benedict yesterday received the members of the Sacred College who presented their Christmas wishes to him. Twenty-three cardinals and many bishops and prelates were present.

In reply to the greetings, the pope expressed a wish that the decisions of the coming peace congress not only would re-establish order but would give a new birth to human sentiments which will render communion with our brothers and the sacrifices made for them sweet.

The pontiff declared that he would do all in his power to facilitate agreement in the decisions of the congress in order to insure a just and durable peace.

Pope Benedict expressed doubt whether the tempest that has devastated the world had not left in the hearts of men the deadly remains of ancient ravers, unwholesome germs of discord, vengeance and reprisals. The very ardor of war and the passion for defense of country, the pontiff added, were noble in their origin, although it was natural that in principle they could easily lead to excesses and make germs of social discord more grave.

The pope said he wondered if it were not the holy father's task to repair the moral ills of the war, no less than the material damages, and dissipate the dangers of fresh perturbations which might result from excessive national hatreds and passions.

He said he hoped his work hence-

forth might be an echo of the decision of the peace conference and mainly directed to the care and instruction of his children, the protection and direction of workers and the counseiling of the wealthy classes for the good of their wealth and authority.

BOLSHEVIKI UNABLE TO RESIST TRAINED ARMY

WARSAW, Tuesday, Dec. 24.—(By the Associated Press)—Russian officers, who have escaped from Bolshevik Russia to Warsaw in discussing the possibility of an allied military movement against the Bolsheviks pointed out to the correspondent today that the Bolsheviks would be unable to resist a trained army. The Bolshevik forces they declared, would flee before armored motor cars, tanks and other methods of modern warfare to which they are not accustomed. Tanks would be of practical use on the hard snow in case of a winter campaign. An army of intervention could be reasonably sure of obtaining food supplies from the Ukraine.

Polish and Russian officers say that if the Polish forces were given arms, airplanes and ammunition they would soon constitute a mere or less strong barrier against the Bolsheviks. The pole said he wondered if it were not the holy father's task to repair the moral ills of the war, no less than the material damages, and dissipate the dangers of fresh perturbations which might result from excessive national hatreds and passions.

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A PICTURE WITHOUT WORDS

MIGHT SELL MOROCCO

Spanish Plan Involves the Swapping of Ceuta for Gibraltar

PARIS, Dec. 27.—The cession of Spanish Morocco to France in exchange for a cash consideration of 1,000,000,000 francs, the return of Gibraltar to Spain by Great Britain and the abandonment of Ceuta, Morocco, to Great Britain by Spain are being openly discussed.

It is asserted that the Spanish premier, Count Romanones, during his recent visit to Paris, made such a proposal to President Wilson and M. Clemenceau, the French premier.

While officials have declined either to confirm or deny the report, the question was freely discussed in the corridors of the chamber of deputies yesterday afternoon.

There also has been a renewal of the talk of the building of a tunnel across the Strait of Gibraltar and making a direct all-land connection between Africa and France, which might be extended to England if the English channel were tunneled.

A despatch from Paris last Monday referring to the visit of Count Romanones said the Spanish premier intended to return to Paris in the near future to discuss with allied premiers and the American delegates to the peace congress questions vitally concerning Spain. In some quarters—the premier was credited with the intention to raise the question of a return of Gibraltar to Spain, making it a subject for deliberations at the peace conference.

Ceuta is a small port 17 miles south of Gibraltar under Mt. Acho, the African one of the Pillars of Hercules. It has many points of resemblance to Gibraltar. Is well equipped with water and could easily be made impregnable from the sea, but is dominated by surrounding heights. Originally taken from the Moors by the Portuguese, it has belonged to Spain since 1584.

If you want to buy, sell or exchange anything try a Sun want ad.

U. S. GOVERNMENT SEEK TO DISMISS BILL

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Argument on the motion of the United States government to dismiss the bill of complaint in an injunction suit brought by the Commercial Cable Co. and the Commercial Pacific Cable Co., to enjoin Postmaster General Burleson and Newcomb Carlton from taking over the lines of the Commercial companies and merging them under federal control with those of the Western Union Telegraph company of which Carlton is the head, was begun today before Judge Hand in the federal district court.

The government counsel contended that the United States is the vital defendant and cannot be made party to the suit. Carlton, he said, had done nothing except at the command of the postmaster general and the latter had taken no action except at the command of the president, who he stated ordered federal jurisdiction over all American cable systems under authority delegated by congress.

LOWELL SAILOR MADE SIX TRIPS ACROSS

John E. Wesley, rated as a bugler in the U. S. navy, spent the holidays with his wife in Lowell at 1499 Mid-Deer Street after a period of intensive service with Uncle Sam's aquatic forces during which he had very few holidays. Wesley has made no less than six trips overseas since the outbreak of the war, when he re-enlisted in the navy after having served a four-year enlistment previously.

He has had exciting experiences during his trips across on transport duty and more than once has his vessel been threatened by Hun submarines. He has served successively on the Salem, the Tacoma and the Calameres. This morning he returned to Eliot Island, where he is assigned to the naval detachment and will await further orders there. Recently he underwent an operation on one of his feet and he is still limping from the result. He met a number of Lowell men while serving on a receiving ship in France.

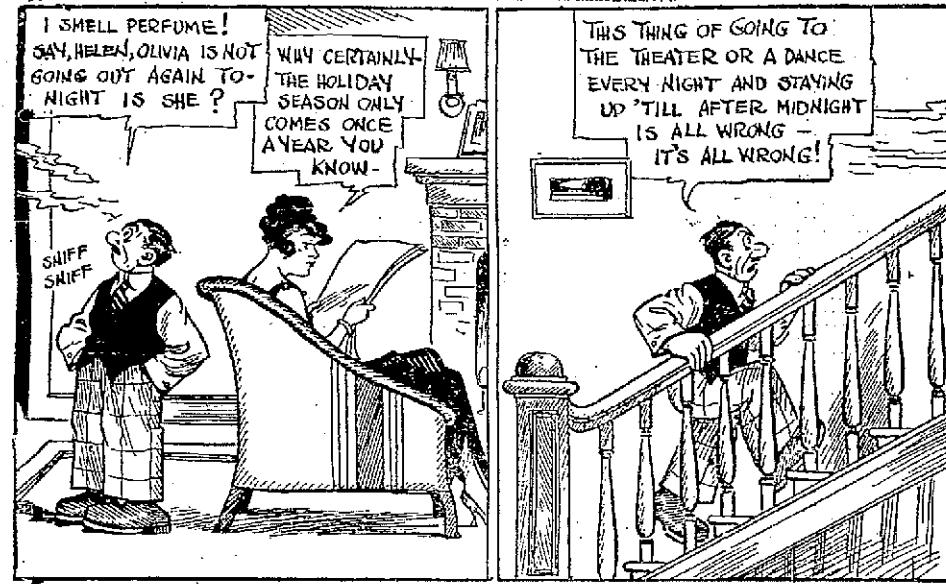
DAYLIGHT ROBBERY IN CARLTON STREET

A bold daylight robbery was committed at 11 Carlton street yesterday afternoon when two young men entered the home of Charles Craig and after ransacking the place made their getaway with a Liberty bond valued at \$50 and 26 pieces of silverware. The police were notified of the theft shortly after it occurred and Lieut. Maher was assigned to the task of running down the thieves, but they are still at large.

While the members of the Craig family were out yesterday afternoon, two young men, aged about 17 years, called at the home of Mrs. Edward J. St. Cyr below that of Mr. Craig and inquired whether or not a Mrs. Coburn resided upstairs. Mrs. St. Cyr answered in the negative, and the young men left the house. Later members of the Craig family returned and upon entering their home found that the place had been visited. Upon investigation they found that a \$50 Liberty bond and 26 pieces of silverware were missing. A bank book, which was in a trunk in one of the bedrooms was found on the table in the kitchen, which showed that the visitors had made a thorough search of the house.

The police were at once notified of the theft and Lieut. Maher after an investigation of the premises found that the thieves had gained entrance by forcing a window over the rear piazza with a screw driver. Late in the afternoon three boys, aged between 9 and 11 years, were brought to the station and questioned about the theft, but the police would not state whether the boys were held in connection with the theft. The description of the boys, however, does not tally with that of the two young men who called at the home of Mrs. St. Cyr in the afternoon and who she believes committed the break.

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS

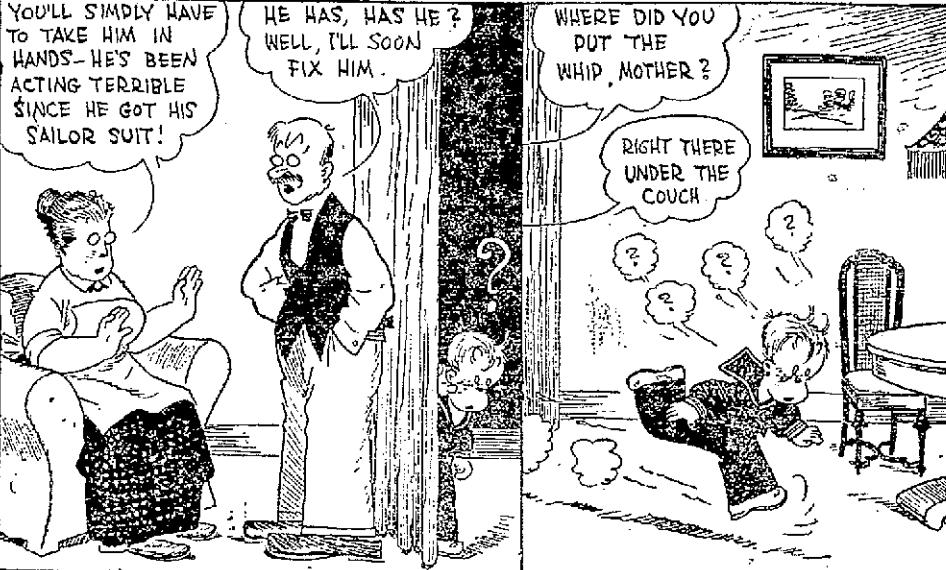


THIS IS AN UP-TO-DATE AFFAIR, TOM



BY ALLMAN

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

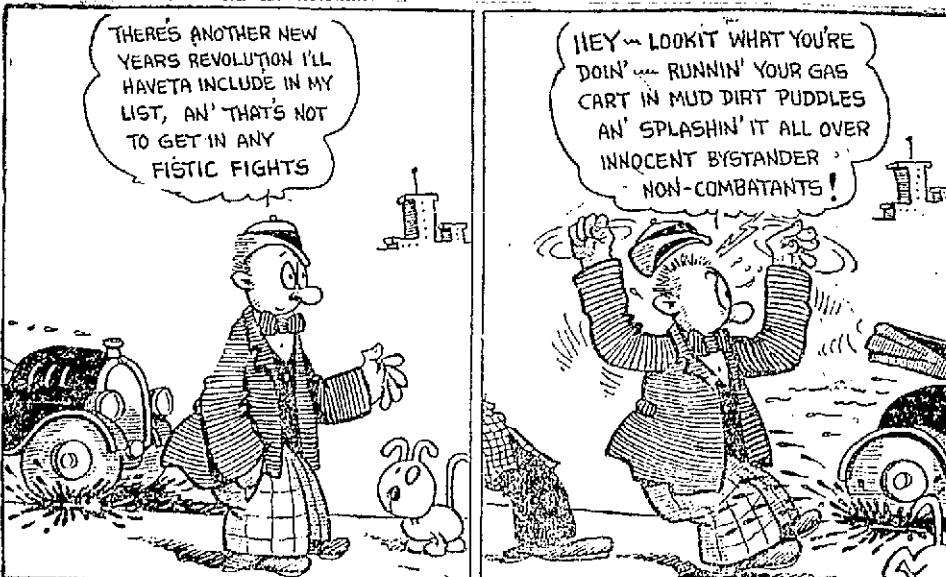


THE FLAG WAS HIS PROTECTION!

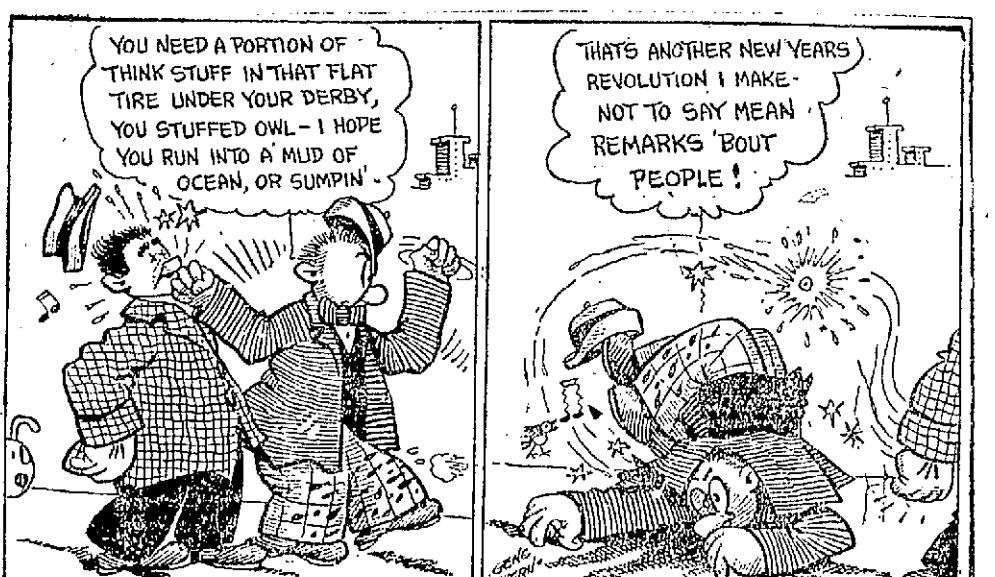


BY BLOSSER

BALMY BENNY



BENNY'S RESOLUTIONS TWIST AROUND LIKE A BOOMERANG



BY AHERN

Sporting News and Newsy Sports

PENCE TO PLAY WITH "HOBIE" BAKER KILLED
LOWELL TEAM TONIGHT

With Freddie Pence in the lineup Lowell will meet Providence at the Crescent rink tonight.

Pence played with Providence last season and is a very classy cage-guardian. He was ill at the opening of the season, but has regained his health and informed Capt. Harkins that he is delighted at the chance to play with the Lowell club.

Lowell and Providence always play good games, as both depend on team work, and a contest between these clubs is generally a classy exhibition of scientific polo.

It will be interesting to watch Pence perform against his old teammates and needless to say Barnes, Bohony and his pals will work hard to tickle the pill by their former goal tender.

"Bob" Hart, who since joining the Lowell team last Monday night, has been travelling at a fast clip, will be there with his terrific drives, while Harkins and Griffith will continue to show their clever passing game.

The Salem News in describing the game there in which "Bob" Hart made his debut as a member of the Lowell team, says he covered Jean very effectively and showed considerable "pep." It also compliments the work of Referee Burkett who made his first appearance of the season in the "Witch City" its account follows:

Hart throughout the game gave an exhibition of the "grizzly bear" sealing Capt. Jean as his partner.

Hart and Jean are old friends and hadn't met for a long time until last night and Bobbie wanted to let the fans know how much he cared for the captain of the local team. When Jean had the ball, nothing else would do Bobbie but to put his arms around him and hug him, and the strange part of it, Referee Burkett, who by the way, made his debut here as an official, allowed him to do so. This handicapped the Salem player and his playing was not as brilliant as it has been in former games. Though the game was full of roughness there was only one foul called by Referee Burkett, this one being on Capt. Jean when he tried to lead goal when the going was too hot for Maxwell. Griffith of the visiting club was unusually rough and he selected Alexander and Williams, the two lightweight rushers of the local club, to rough it with. These players were thrown to the floor several times by Griffith, but his illegal work went unnoticed by the official, who seemed to favor the visiting players.

POLO LEAGUE STANDING

	Won	Lost	Perf.
Salem	15	11	62.1
Providence	13	13	66.7
Worcester	15	14	51.3
Lowell	15	16	48.4
New Bedford	12	17	48.1
Lawrence	19	19	52.1

BALL PLAYERS OVERSEAS
SEND XMAS. MESSAGES.

Christmas messages were received in this country from "Blank" Gowdy, the best professional baseball player to enlist in the service of Uncle Sam from Grover Cleveland, Alexander, Christy Mathewson, Sherrill Smith and several other ball players now "over there." All extend best wishes to their friends here and express the desire to soon be back on the diamond. Gowdy's message follows:

"Oh, it would be great to wake up in old Boston Christmas morning and get out in Copley square and wish every one a Merry Christmas whether I knew them or not. But I extend the season's greetings to all from over here and hope I will be back there with my friends before another year rolls around."

"HANK GOWDY."

Alexander, who is with the army of occupation in Germany, says that he expects to be on the baseball firing line with the Cubs by next June. This will be good news to Chicago fans and to all baseball followers. He cables:

"A merry Christmas to all the good fans in the states. Only wish I were home to eat my turkey in God's country. Hope to be back with the boys next spring. Expect to be on the firing line in Chicago in June."

"GROVER CLEVELAND ALEXANDER."

Matty says he is "marking time" until the big day comes when he will sail for home. His message follows:

"Like all the rest, I am still over here marking time till the big day comes when we shall start for home. Regards to all the bleachers and season's greetings. Glad the old game is coming back strong next spring."

"CHRISTY MATHEWSON."

Sherrill Smith of Brooklyn, one of the best pitchers in the National League, is hurrying to see Wilbert Robinson's (Robbie's) grin once more. His greeting follows:

"I feel good to think that we are going back in the near future that I'd be willing to work out this winter in Charlie Ebbets' cold storage plant. Guess I won't be glad to see old Robbie's grin again! In the mean time, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all."

"SHERRILL SMITH."

\$2500 FOR WIDOW OF MATTY BALDWIN—RAISED AT BENEFIT

BOSTON, Dec. 27.—Bank books representing savings have been turned over to the widow of Matty Baldwin by the committee in charge of the recent testimonial for the boxer's family. The total amount received was \$6754.51 and the expenses were \$1455.66.

BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM

The Lowell Boys' Club basketball team has perfect its plans for the coming season and is willing to meet any of the strong young teams in the city and vicinity who are in their class. Any outfit who wishes a game may be accommodated by calling upon Physical Director Eddie Clegg, who writes him at the club's headquarters. The Boys' Club will be represented by the following lineup: Capt. Normanby, Brown, Cummings, Martin and Fitzsimmons.

AT CRESCENT RINK
PROVIDENCE vs. LOWELL
TONIGHT
Goal Tend Pence Will Make His First Appearance with Lowell

WILLARD WILLING TO MEET DEMPSEY

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 27.—Jess Willard will fight Jack Dempsey. That is almost a certainty, when that rests entirely with the American public and fight promoters.

During the recent campaign to raise money for the United War Work Fund, Willard and company helped to put on a show at Fort Worth, Tex., and brought Capt. Walter Monahan, his old sparring partner on for the big show.

The sergeant was in perfect shape and took Willard over some of the fastest rounds the world's champion had ever boxed.

At the finish Monahan said: "I feel good enough and strong enough to tackle Jack Dempsey."

"He has been sounding you," added Monahan, "so let me get a crack at him."

"No," Willard quickly replied, "Save him for me. Men like Dempsey were carefully made for me. If the public wants to see some promoter will quietly get the information and we will soon talk business. Tell the people up north to save Dempsey for me. I'll let some second-rate brash him off."

Monahan, when asked what kind of shape Willard was in, quickly replied: "As a student of physical culture, I believe a man is at his very best between 35 and 40. Willard is a perfect man physically. They only hold one man like him in the country. He took me over these four rounds at Fort Worth like a featherweight. He is fast with his hands and like a gazelle on his feet, and maybe he can't hit with that left hand. His weight?"

"As far as I can judge, he scales under 250 pounds," said Monahan, "and is keeping himself in splendid trim. Dempsey is invit-

ing some surprise."

BOYLE TO TRAIN HARD FOR BOUT WITH BROCK

Mat Boyle of Cleveland, who will meet Phinney Boyle of Lowell in the main bout at the Crescent A. A. next Saturday afternoon, (New Year's day) is considered one of the hardest hitting lightweights in the game. He has tackled all of the leading performers and has piled up a very fine record.

So far, however, when in condition, he can stand his own with any boy in the country at his weight, and is conscientiously training for the coming bout. His recent victories over Joe Johnson at Portsmouth and Young Robert at Cambridge gave him a great boost, and he is sure that he will be as never did before to be in tip form for Brock next week.

In his bout with Johnson, Boyle demonstrated to the complete satisfaction of a big crowd at the Portsmouth club, that he could hold his own in a hard and dangerous fighter, and dropped his opponent once and gave him considerable punishment at other times. His work was a revelation and is still the talk of the New Hampshire town.

Charley Parker's victory over Battling Lahn of Newark at Boston the other night demonstrates that the Boston boy has the goods and will soon be in demand as a main bout performer. He is certainly one of the best boys turned out of the amateur ranks for some time. Since joining professional company he has not lost a bout, and in piling up this clear record, he has not picked his opponents, but on the contrary was ready and willing to meet all comers. Parker's record is 21 consecutive victories, eleven by the route.

Tommy Flanagan of New Bedford just many of his recent achievements in his failure to appear here against Suggs on the holiday. This was the second time Flanagan disappointed the fans and Suggs and the club officials should remember his action when planning future cards.

The now membership cards for C. A. members are now ready, and as all who desire to attend the next meeting of the club on New Year's day must have 1919 cards it behoves all to be busy and apply for renewal at once.

Saturday, January 4, 1919, is "Quarter Day" at the Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank.

Pleads With Sec. Baker

Continued

committee of the board of trade late yesterday afternoon Mr. O'Donoghue was chosen as the board's representative. The mayor was ready to go the minute it was deemed necessary. The two men will work in unison with delegates of local labor organizations in making a plea to Washington officials that there be no wholesale dismissals of workers in this city.

In advance of the delegates' appearance in Washington, yesterday a long telegraphic message was sent to Secretary of War Baker, Secretary of Commerce Wilson and the national director of munitions, advising them that the Lowell men were soon to start on their errand so important to this city's people and urging that cancellation of munitions contracts for Lowell was immediately pending, that cancellation be deferred until they could be given a chance to make their plea.

This message to the three persons mentioned above tells them that the delegates will urge that the war contract for Lowell be handled in such a manner that the cessation of the munitions industry in this city will be a gradual and logical reduction of the work so that neither the city nor its labor market shall be made to suffer the terrible hardships of being unexpectedly flooded with men and women workers out of jobs in mid-winter.

The message states that a canvass of the textile industry in Lowell is being made and while it is anticipated in advance that Lowell mills will not be able to absorb more than 10 to 20 percent of the people for whom soon there will not be work at the munition plants here, by the time the delegates reach Washington and presumably secure appointments for Tuesday or Wednesday with the cabinet officers, the message says that exact information on this subject will be available. The secretary of war is reminded that Lowell has promptly met every demand the necessities of war have placed on her as a city including turning out munitions, sending young men to work and helping to finance the war through Liberty loan subscriptions.

At the time this telegram was sent to Washington another wire was sent to Congressman John Jacob Rogers acquainting him with what was in contemplation and asking for his counsel and personal help. It is possible that Congressman Rogers may be able to secure an appointment for the delegates with the officials it will be necessary for him to see before the delegates arrive in the capital, which would of course greatly facilitate and secure prompt action for them when they arrive.

The Observant Lady

I read a long and interesting account of the satisfactory manner in which the waitresses of New York have been performing their duties, a great many having been employed not long ago during the strike conditions. Last Thursday night at the banquet of the New York State Hotel association at the Waldorf Astoria, every one of the hundreds of hotel men present rose to his feet and began to applaud when the waitresses filed into the big banquet hall in ceremonial fashion. I could not begin to count the many good points which the hotel men claim are characteristic in the women's work. Representatives from the leading hotels of New York and other states were all unanimous in voting that a new era is beginning and in heralding the waitresses to the banquet halls, the authorities give some of the reasons why they prefer the services of the women in preference to the men. I have made a list of the reasons for the revolution that is taking place in the dining service of the big hotels in New York City, as quoted by Thomas D. Green, president of the Hotel Association of New York City; first, the women have made good in the position; second the position has made good with the women; general satisfaction among guests, complaints because of lack of attention have decreased 50 per cent; breakage, a big item in the budget, decreased noticeably. He went on to say that there are only a few instances where it is deemed fitting and proper that the serving be attended to by the men. In his closing remarks the speaker stated it was his opinion that the waitresses had come to stay, and that the practice of employing waitresses in banquet halls would spread beyond New York.

I think the workers connected with the War Camp Community Service are doing splendidly in providing social times for the soldiers at Camp Devens.

The chaperones who assisted at the dance held last Saturday night endeavored to make the evening a pleasant one for all present. The boys evidently appreciated the cordial reception given them. If one may judge from the nature of their remarks, which were something like this: "Well, I guess there'll be a lot more boys down here next week." I was talking with a young man from Los Angeles, Calif., who by the way, did not dance, but just seemed to want to be in the immediate vicinity of the music and laughter. He told me that he had enjoyed the entertainment the night before, which was held at the camp, and to which many Lowell girls had been invited. Although he did not dance, he was glad to be with those who did enjoy it. While speaking of this dance at Camp Devens, with another fellow, he said: "Oh, yes, that was for another company. Course we couldn't go, but these people seem to derive the greatest pleasure merely from the knowledge that they have made someone happy, and not from any words of with the others."

Judge Rundell

Chief Valdespino

Mayor Prott

orphanage. They could show Sherlock Holmes a trick or two—you bet!

I may sadden the ladies to know that in this near-Utopia "woman's place is still in the home." The girls haven't much to do with the ordering of their fate. Dolls and duties are supposed to keep them contented and out of mischief.

The little republic was formed about two years ago when the grown-up superintendent of the institution was discharged for cruelty to the children. The youngsters, left largely to their own resources, immediately established self-government, remarkable for its absence of "don'ts."

When the succeeding superintendent, the Rev. J. S. Dudson, came in he found the children managing themselves so amazingly well that he refused to interfere with the organization. All he does now is to act as sort of court of appeals when such a court seems needed.

"I have had little to do with discipline," he confessed. "The girls have full charge of government in the institution. I have been elected their supreme judge. I find the punishments, sometimes necessary, are carried out more strictly and with better grace than if I inflicted them myself."

The orphans, girls and boys, make and enforce their own laws.

They have their own mayor, councilmen, police (yes, even in Utopia, it must be reluctantly admitted, police seem necessary) and judge.

From breakfast to bed-time they practically order and regulate their daily doings.

And most Utopian of all—spankings have been abolished, although ear-washing is still compulsory!

Every Friday, Mayor Alvin Pratt, 14, meets with the council and affairs of the little municipality are gravely discussed. Not even a game of marbles is allowed to interfere with this conference.

Court (yep, courts, too, in Utopia!) is held every so often with Judge Rundell presiding, going on 12, presiding.

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LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

vs. Probate Court.

To the heirs, executors, administrators, and all other persons in or

crested in the estate of Battie W. Field, also called Battie G. Wakefield, late of Lowell, in said County, deceased intestate.

Whereupon it has been presented to said Court to grant letters of

administration on the estate of said

deceased to James E. O'Donnell of

Lowell in the County of Middlesex,

without giving a surety on his bond.

MUNICIPAL CHRISTMAS

TREE CELEBRATION

Commissioner James E. Donnelly will be in the limelight round the municipal Christmas tree in Monument square tomorrow evening when the second of a series of celebrations will be held.

To the versatile commissioner has been assigned the duty of directing the entertainment to be given by local talent in conjunction with military talent from Camp Devens. An excellent program is being arranged and if present plans are carried out, it will set away from the stereotyped form of entertainment. The commissioner expects to present at least one classic in a Highland fife and maybe there will be a bagpipe or two.

The tree will be lighted up in all its holiday splendor, there will be lights in every window in the foreground of city hall and the entrance to city hall will also be ablaze with illumination.

Activities will begin promptly at 6 o'clock and there will be a band on the city hall steps to accompany the crowd in the community song phase of the program. This will include such patriotic and popular numbers as "The Star Spangled Banner," "America," "How I Hate to Get Up in the Morning," etc.

The camp Devens contingent will be in charge of K. of C. Secretary Joseph Glintz and the soldiers of the evening will have piano accompaniment. Private James "Boundy" Rogers will be with the soldiers and among the local entertainers will be Walter Davis. Others will be announced later. The affair will be under the general supervision of the park commission.

SALE OF W.S.S. AND THRIFT STAMPS

Postmaster John F. McLean told a Sun representative today that the local office is about ready to open up its 1918 W.S.S. and Thrift Stamp business.

The Thrift Stamps will continue the same, the postmaster stated, and the same Thrift cards which were in use

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—he said, "If I ever have a daughter she will be taught to sew and cook and keep house." —And Miss Miller said, "If I ever have a son he will be taught to work like you and I have, Andrew." And wouldn't it be strange if they grew up and got married—which is just what they did.

My Three Years of German Slavery

A startling revelation of German brutality behind the lines in France. Told by Comte de Gaza Plessis.

Lady Duff Gordon's Page Fashion Article

Golden Eyes and Her
Hero, "Bill," Over There,
By Nell Brinkley—a Full
Page Drawing in Colors

AN INTERESTING STORY AT THE PEACE TABLE

Hon. John T. Sparks Relates
His Experiences as K. of C.
Secretary in France

More than 400 members of the local council of the Knights of Columbus and friends heard one of their own members, Hon. John T. Sparks, who has just returned from France, where he had served for some time as a K. of C. secretary, tell of his experiences overseas at the council rooms in Associate building last evening. He told a most interesting story with many personal touches and his account of events was more than enjoyed.

Lecturer Timothy E. Quinn presided at the meeting and when he announced Mr. Sparks, the secretary was given three rousing cheers and a tiger roar opening, the speaker told of the remarkable coincidences whereby he began his new stage of his secretarial duties in the midst of unpleasant weather.

When he was assigned to Camp Devens, he said, it was a blustery day and a howling gale. When he received orders to go overseas the weather was again very bad. In France he ran into all kinds of stormy weather and on his return trip to the United States his vessel was delayed five days because of a storm. However, when he sighted the Statue of Liberty all disagreeable thoughts of weather vanished and he was glad to begin his journey toward Lowell again.

Mr. Sparks went into detail in regard to the work being done by the Knights of Columbus both on this side of the water and overseas. Particularly at Bordeaux, where he was stationed for some time and had charge of the K. of C. headquarters, was he impressed by the work being done by the organization. The hospital work, he said, was especially impressive and the human interest developments in connection with this work were most appealing.

Mr. Sparks met a number of Lewis boys in the service overseas. While he was on duty at one of the hospitals, he was passing through a ward and heard somebody cry out "There's Johnnie Sparks! I haven't seen him for a long time." The secretary turned around and sitting in a bed was Private George Wayne, the Lowell soldier with the M. of the 101st, who had been wounded. He and Mr. Sparks had a great talk and when the secretary was leaving him he promised to return earlier and bring him things he wanted. Upon his return, however, Private Wayne had been discharged from the hospital.

On the day the armistice was signed the Lowell man received more kissing than he had ever had before. Although he was as jubilant as anybody over the signing of the armistice, he did not particularly like the French manner of showing affection.

He cited the case of one doughboy who had lost both arms, but who was still "game." There were never any grouchy wounded men overseas. This young soldier used to greet Mr. Sparks daily with a request for a "fag" and the secretary would put a cigaret in his mouth and light it for him.

Mr. Sparks met the three other Lowell K. of C. secretaries who served overseas—Thomas J. Beane, John Daly and John Salmon. With Secretary Beane he visited the church in Paris which had been bombed on Good Friday, causing the death of 70 and the wounding of 200 people. He was also in Paris while the famous "Big Bertha" gun was bombing the city from a distance of 16 miles, but fortunately not in the section of the city that was damaged.

The secretary said that John Salmon was scheduled to leave France on December 29 and should be home in a few days. The last time he saw him he was looking well after a visit to the front line trenches.

Other speakers last evening included Rev. D. J. Heffernan, chaplain of the council, and Grand Knight Robert H. Thomas. George Brigman and Thomas Tobin entertained with musical selections.

Open an account in The Lowell Five Cent Savings bank, Thursday, January 2, 1919. The amount of sum will begin to draw interest on the following Saturday.

SKELETON BURIED

The skull and bones found on vacant land in Bunker Hill avenue by employees of Contractor Jacques Boisvert, who were digging for the erection of a house, and which had been turned over to Medical Examiner T. G. Smith were this morning taken to the funeral parlors of Undertakers J. F. O'Donnell & Sons and later buried in the Edison cemetery. Dr. Smith informed the writer this morning that the land where the skeleton was found had been used for a pasture for the past 10 years or more, and he said he could not determine whether the bones were those of an Indian or a white man.

Police Court News
Continued

His uncle, George A. Antonas, who keeps a jewelry store at 468 Merrimack street, with the laciness of two rings, valued at \$125 and \$50 respectively, one pendant, value \$26 and a watch, valued at \$13. The uncle testified that his nephew asked to take the goods away for a few days to be examined by his boss, Mr. Costas, who would probably buy them. If this happened, John would bring in the money to his uncle, and if not he would return the goods. He testified that John did not give Costas a chance to buy the goods, but kept them himself, later selling the first-mentioned ring in New York.

Defendant stated that he had been employed by his uncle to collect money for the last two years, but had not received any commission, as had been agreed. It also developed that uncle and nephew had always done considerable business together, the nephew frequently buying goods at his uncle's store on credit. He was found guilty, and sentenced to three months in the house of correction, and entered an appeal.

Peter Dudo was found guilty of drunkenness, and told a lengthy story regarding the affair, much of which had to be guessed at. He was ordered to pay a fine of \$5, and refused, saying he would prefer to go to jail, and anyway, he didn't have any money. But at the first step towards the dock he suffered a change of heart, and nonchalantly produced a large roll of bills, mostly tens, and professed due to the court officer. It was decided to allow the fine to stand.

27 Countries To Be Represented—About 100 Delegates to Attend

PARIS, Dec. 27.—The personnel of the peace congress is gradually taking form, so that the American delegates express the hope that the delegations of the various countries will be announced and that the delegates will arrive for actual commencement of the negotiations soon after the opening of the new year.

Some Details Settled

A number of the main details of the composition of the congress are now fairly well settled as a result of recent conferences. These indicate that the total membership of the congress will be between 190 and 200.

There will be 27 countries represented by delegations, including those which declared war and a number which have declared war and a number which have come into existence as a result of the war.

The great powers, notably Great Britain, France, the United States and Italy, each have allotted five delegates,

while the other delegations will vary from one to four members, according to the size of the country and the interests involved.

Word has been received that the Belgian and Portuguese delegations soon will join the representatives of the United States, who thus far are the only members of the peace congress to arrive.

The non-arrival of the others has been the subject of considerable surprise and adverse comment, the Amer-

icans taking the ground that they are here ready to proceed to business, but with the personnel of the congress not yet announced. It is understood that President Wilson's visit to England is likely to result in countering quite definitely the view that it is highly desirable that the congress should be put into motion with the least possible delay.

The Probable Delegates

While the personnel of few delegations have been announced, unofficial advices indicate that most of them will be formed substantially as follows:

Belgium—Paul Hyman, foreign minister; Emile Vandervelde, minister of justice; Baron Van den Hevel, minister to the Vatican.

Portugal—Senor Egas Moniz; Foreign Minister Espirito Santo Lima, Senator Freire de Andrade, Senator Santos Viga and Augusto Vasconcelos, minister of the colonies.

Brazil—Nilo Peçanha, foreign minister; Rio Barbosa, Admiral Huet Bacellar and General Thomopoulos.

Japan—Viscount Chinda, ambassador to Great Britain; Baron Matsui, ambassador to France; and two other delegates now on their way to Paris.

Serbia—Nikola P. Pačitch, premier; Dr. M. R. Vesnić and Dr. Cvijić.

Greece—Premier Venizelos and M. Politis, foreign minister.

Italy—Premier Orlando, Baron Sonnino, foreign minister; Leonida Bissolati-Bergamaschi, minister of military aid, and war pensions; General Diaz, commander-in-chief of the Italian army, and Admiral Paolo Theron di Revel, former chief of the naval staff.

Great Britain—David Lloyd George, prime minister; Arthur J. Balfour, foreign secretary; Andrew Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, and George Nicoll Barnes, labor member of the war cabinet, and one other delegate who has not yet been designated.

Lieut. General J. G. Smuts and General Botha, representing South Africa, are expected to accompany the British delegation in which probably also will be representatives of Canada, Australia and India.

France—M. Clemenceau, premier; Stephen Pichon, foreign minister, and three others who have not yet been announced, although the names of those mentioned as probable members include Leon Bourgeois, former premier; Jules Cambon, general secre-

tary to the ministry of foreign affairs, and Captain Andre Tardieu, head of the general commission for Franco-American war matters, or former Vice-Ambassador to Brazil.

The foregoing delegations comprise of virtually all the European countries which have taken part in the war except Rumania and the four enemy countries, whose delegates have not yet been announced.

China will be represented by one delegate, probably the ambassador to France. Siam and Cuba and a number of South and Central American republics have not been heard from.

On the whole, the lists given above, though unofficial and subject to change, indicate that the delegations have been virtually formed and that they soon will be in a position to take up the work of the congress.

MIDDLESEX WOMEN'S CLUB

Monday, Dec. 30, 4 p. m.—Illustrated Lecture: Eben F. Comins. Subject: "Cortona, a Hill Town of Italy."

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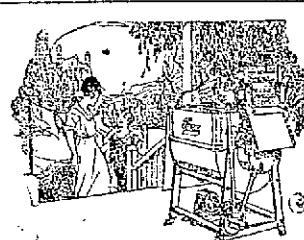
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